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JAPANESE URGE DIRECT NEGOTIATIONS

DR. SZE SAYS "IMPOSSIBLE"

LEAGUE COUNCIL DELIBERATING ON THE ISSUES.

Washington, Yesterday.

President Hoover has reported to the Cabinet that the present indications tend to show the situation in regard to Manchuria was improving—Reuter's American Service.

Geneva, Yesterday.

The moderation displayed by both sides to-day which has produced an excellent effect was summed up by a member of the British delegation as a "Very Good Preface."

The "Big Five" of the League are discussing M. Briand's draft formula, and Japan is being urged to guarantee that no action of war will occur in Manchuria in future.

A grave and tense atmosphere prevailed at the "dramatic" meeting of the Council which assembled to hear the Japanese and Chinese delegates state their cases.

In the unavoidable absence of Senor Lerroux, M. Briand presided over the meeting. In the course of his preliminary address he said that the United States Government had informed the League that it fully agreed with the action of the Council, and that two American officials had gone to Manchuria as observers.

"VERY GOOD PREFACE"

Japanese Destiny Bound Up with Korea and Manchuria.

Mr. Yoshizawa said that Japan twice had risked her very existence to avert imminent peril in Korea and Manchuria, which regions, he considered, were closely bound up with her own destiny. Japan had no territorial aims in Manchuria, but she possessed vital political and economic interests there. She was the defender of equal chances and an open door in economic activities for all nations. Foreign trade had increased tenfold since the arrival of Japan in Manchuria. China also had immensely benefited by advantages from the development of these provinces; hundreds of thousands of Chinese had established themselves there, and the population had been doubled in twenty years. It was not astonishing that Japan, after sacrificing so many men and so much money in struggles to safeguard her own security, should consecrate immense efforts to develop Manchuria.

Japanese Rights Imperilled. The first factor in this development was the maintenance of order. The firmness of Japanese policy had prevented civil wars in China troubling peaceful and laborious activity in Manchuria, where Japanese had invested enormous capital—over two milliards of yen.

The rights and interests of Japan had been the object of innumerable attacks for several years. Since the Nationalist Government took over power, even responsible Chinese statesmen had openly advocated total suppression of Japanese rights in Manchuria. The attitude of the authorities towards the South Manchuria Company and towards Japanese and Koreans had been singularly provoking for some time.

The Nakamura Incident. The murder of Capt. Nakamura by Chinese troops was an example of the insolent attitude the Chinese assumed towards Japanese. In spite of provocations the Japanese Government had adopted an attitude of conciliation and patience, but it was inevitable when the political atmosphere

became electric, and the Japanese people should feel most indignant.

Attacks on S.M.R.

Mr. Yoshizawa referred to the Chinese troops attacking the South Manchuria Railway on September 18, and said that the Japanese Government ardently had hoped China, conscious of the gravity of the moment, would know how to reverse its past attitude, and enter by a rational and constructive co-operation, on a new path in order to extricate all causes for future conflict between the two nations.

Direct Negotiations.

Mr. Yoshizawa re-emphasized the Japanese Government's readiness to enter into direct negotiations with China, but, hitherto, she had not seen this desire, which the League Council shared, realized. She was of the opinion that to a certain extent the delay was due to the most confused condition of the internal political situation in China.

He referred to the negotiations between the Governments at Nanking and Canton, and described the measures taken by the Japanese command, on the occasion of the incident of September 18, as legitimate defence measures to ward off at any price the imminent danger menacing the very existence of the Japanese position in Manchuria. He reiterated that the Japanese Government firmly intended to withdraw troops within the railway zone as soon as security and protection for Japanese nationals had been effectively assured.

Anti-Japanese Agitation.

Mr. Yoshizawa submitted that when it was a question of finding a solution to a problem of this size too great importance should not be attached to considerations of doctrine and theoretical possibilities, the widest account must be taken of the practical and political realities of the situation. The present situation had been profoundly troubled by virulent anti-Japanese agitation throughout China. He suggested that the League Council should seek, first, means of effecting an agreement and, secondly, moral

U.S. NAVAL SHIPS.

Ordered to Shanghai.

Washington, Yesterday.

Seven United States' submarines and one tender, which recently sailed for Chefoo from Tsingtao, have been ordered to Shanghai, according to a State Department announcement.

Washington, Later.

The vessels were going to Chefoo for the customary shore leave but have been diverted to Shanghai in order to prevent any misunderstanding regarding the routine nature of the visit. This action followed on sensational report in a New York newspaper regarding the vessels' movements. — Reuter's American Service.

disarmament between the two nations. If the Chinese Government made serious efforts to check anti-Japanese agitation and drew up in common an agreement with Japan, a preliminary basis such as that would permit the re-establishment of normal Sino-Japanese relations, and it would greatly contribute towards appeasement and relaxation of a situation which all so much desired. Thus removing the most serious obstacle to the withdrawal of troops.

Dr. Sze Replies.

The withdrawal of troops did not depend on the realisation of such an agreement, but on the security of Japanese nationals.

He concluded by urging the establishment of a good Sino-Japanese understanding.

Dr. Alfred Sze, replying, declared that a number of points raised by Mr. Yoshizawa were irrelevant, and refuted the allegation that the Chinese Foreign Minister had made a warlike speech. As regards the boycott, he said, no Government could compel its people to buy what they did not want. The only means of settling the conflict was to remove the causes.

Dr. Sze read two telegrams announcing that Japanese aeroplanes had bombed open towns west of Mukden, and cited the case of the Chinese authorities protecting Japanese and Koreans. He also read the report of an important American witness declaring that the attack on Mukden was quite unprovoked, and said that direct Sino-Japanese negotiations were impossible in view of the existing position. Therefore, China had appealed to the League of Nations.

Lord Reading's Suggestion.

At Lord Reading's suggestion, Mr. Yoshizawa promised to get information from Tokyo regarding the new cases of aerial bombardment.

M. Briand Sums Up.

M. Briand summed up the position and declared that the Council had a duty which it would not fail to carry out. He urged that both sides should press their respective Governments not to aggravate the position pending a solution. "I know the two great Nations feel the terrible responsibility that rests on the party which would go further towards a catastrophe."

The meeting then adjourned.

The League Council meets again this morning (Wednesday). — Reuter.

Liverpool Chinese Meeting.

London, Yesterday. A call for British support in protesting against the Japanese invasion of Manchuria was made at a meeting of the Chinese community in Liverpool to-day. — Reuter.

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INDIAN STATES AND FEDERATION.

Expert Finance Committee Proposed.

VERY DESIRABLE.

Rugby, Yesterday.

The Federal Structure Committee of the Indian Round Table Conference spent to-day considering the report of the finance sub-committee which, among other recommendations, suggested that an expert committee should work out in detail a financial scheme of federation taking the sub-committee's report as a basis. Several speakers, including Sir Akbar Hydari, expressed the view that this task would occupy the experts for 12 months.

Replying to a question from the Chairman, Lord Sankey, Sir Akbar Hydari agreed to the desirability of fixing a time by which the States should reach a definite decision regarding their entry into the Federation. The States' delegation, he said, took the view that until they had seen the report of the expert committee they would be unable to decide whether or not to enter the Federation. While the experts were at work investigation on other points could be completed and the States, with all the salient features of the scheme before them, would be in a position to make a decision.

It is understood that the Nawab of Bhopal, who speaks for the Chamber of Princes, will make a further reference to the attitude of the States as indicated by Sir Akbar Hydari. — British Wireless Service.

CHINESE WHO STOLE A JAPANESE SPANIEL.

Two Months' Hard.

A Chinese pleaded "guilty" before Mr. W. Schofield this morning to a charge, concerning the theft of a Japanese spaniel dog, the property of Mr. Hosokawa, a restaurant manager at 16, Sampan Street, Wanchai.

Det. Sub-Inspector Rozesky said that during the recent disturbances at Wanchai district, Japanese residents were compelled to leave their homes, which later were broken into by angry mobs. Yesterday the Police received word that the dog was in defendant's custody, and on raiding 15, Ship Street, first floor, they found it there. The dog was valued at \$50.

By Mr. Schofield (to defendant): You don't mind being provided with Japanese property that isn't paid for!

Police records showed that defendant got ten strokes last year for disorderly conduct.

Sentence of two months' jail with hard labour was passed.

WORLD SILVER CONFERENCE PROPOSAL.

Washington, Yesterday.

The recommendation to Government's members of the Pan-American Union to consider submitting the question of the rehabilitation of silver to a World Conference has passed the Fourth Pan-American Commercial Conference which was concluded here to-day. — Reuter.

17TH CENTURY DISC FOUND IN SHARK.

A small copper disc bearing the date 1657 has been found in the stomach of a five-foot shark captured near Galveston (Texas).

The disc is about the size of a sixpence. On it are stamped a curious design, the name "Richard Langley, of Ramsgate," and the initials "L.R.P."

As Ramsgate was an important port during the 17th century, it is thought that the piece of metal has been an identification "charm" carried by a luckless sailor.

Tabloid Telegrams.

(Reuter and British Wireless Service.)

While conducting his election campaign at Seaham the Prime Minister continues to keep in touch with national and international affairs and particularly is watching developments in the Sino-Japanese dispute. It is anticipated he will interrupt his election activities on Thursday and return to London by air to deal with any developments that may require his presence.

The Reichstag building in Berlin resembled a fortress on the occasion of the reopening yesterday. It was surrounded by police in cars, while policemen guarded the entrances and strongly patrolled the neighbourhood.

The co-operation of the Governments of the principal rubber-growing countries in an International Rubber Conference was suggested by Mr. E. Miller, presiding at the annual meeting of Messrs. Harrisons and Crosfield.

Peace prospects are brighter than ever as the result of the decision by Hu Han-min, following discussions yesterday with Chiang Kai-shek and Chen Ming-shu to go to Shanghai to discuss matters with the delegates from Canton.

The first new Members of the House of Commons elected are:—Mr. John Buchan (Conservative), Mr. Noel Skelton (Conservative) and Mr. D. M. Cowan (National Liberal), for the Scottish Combined Universities.

EARL JELlicoe.

Doctor Says No Cause for Grave Anxiety.

Rugby, Yesterday.

Earl Jellicoe, who is ill at his Isle of Wight home, was X-rayed to-day. He had a fairly good night, and his condition to-day was unchanged. The doctor emphasises that there is no cause for grave anxiety. — British Wireless Service.

FLOOD RELIEF.

Reminder of King's Theatre.

In aid of the Yangtze Flood Relief Fund, special pictures are to be screened at the King's Theatre to-day, the Directors of the China Entertainment and Land Investment Co. having generously agreed to devote the entire proceeds to this most deserving cause.

Prices will be as usual, and in all there will be four excellent pictures screened. These, kindly lent free for the occasion by the Paramount Films of China, Inc., and Fox Film Corporation, will be as follows:—
2.30 p.m.—"Charlie Chan Carries On."
5.10 p.m.—"Dishonoured."
7.15 p.m.—"Vagabond King."
9.30 p.m.—"Don't Bet on Women."

It is hoped that there will be large attendances, in order that the relief fund may substantially benefit.

REPORTED MISSING AT SEA.

Mysterious Fate of H.K. Police Officer.

SERGEANT GIBBLING.

His many friends in the Colony will be distressed to hear that Lance-Sergeant John O'Neil Gibbling, of the Hong Kong Police Force, who was invalided home by the P. & O. s.s. Mantua, which sailed from here last Saturday, has since been reported as "missing at sea."

According to wireless messages received, his disappearance, which is shrouded in mystery, is believed to have occurred some six hours or so after the vessel had cleared from here.

Sergeant Gibbling, who was formerly a member of the Coldstream Guards, joined the Police force on November 5, 1927, and was promoted to the rank of Lance-Sergeant on June 18 of the following year. He had been ailing for some months past, and was invalided home on Saturday. He was a native of Jarrow, Durham.

BOOKER QUALIFIES FOR ADAMSON CUP.

Happy Valley Golf.

In the qualifying round of the Adamson Cup for October played at the Valley F. E. Booker qualified with a score of 84—9—75.

Other scores were:—A. G. Ursell 101—17—84; A. W. T. White 106—18—88.

DANGEROUS NAVIGATION IN THE HARBOUR.

For navigating a vessel by night with exhibiting a starboard light, and so being a source of danger to vessels in the Harbour, the Marine Court this morning, was fined \$25 or three weeks' hard labour.

In pleading "guilty," defendant said he stopped his launch as soon as he noticed his light was not burning. He was proceeding to relight it when the Police launch came alongside.

Sergeant Morris said that defendant's story was not true. He had watched the launch from outside the northern entrance of the Yau-mat shelter; it had a junk in tow, was navigated for some distance without a starboard light, and entered the shelter with the light out. It was not until he hailed the defendant to come alongside that the latter made any attempt to light the lamp.

FINE.

The Royal Observatory's report issued this morning says: The typhoon has passed to the North-East of Tokyo.

An anti-cyclone is forming over China.

Forecast:—North-East winds, moderate; fine.

Rainfall.

Rainfall for 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day nil. Total since January 1—74.52 inches against an average of 73.93 inches—deficit 4.41 inches.

Temperature.

The temperature at certain specified centres this morning at 6 o'clock was:—
Hong Kong 72
Pratas Island ... 74
Macao 68
Manila 76
Amoy 72
Chefoo 50
Shanghai 50

MUI-TSAI UNPAID AND UNREGISTERED.

Woman Employer Fined.

For failing to pay a mui-tai wages due to her for seventeen months, and having under her control an unregistered mui-tai, a Chinese woman, Wong Chan-si, of 17, Staunton Street pleaded guilty and was convicted, cautioned and fined.

Sub-Inspector Fraser of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, said the girl, Chan Kiu, was a registered mui-tai. On October 10 she complained to the S.C.A. office of improper treatment, and stated that she had not been paid her monthly wages. Under the regulations, the Inspector pointed out, it was compulsory for mistresses to pay their mui-tais. The S.C.A. was very reluctant to bring cases of this nature to Court but, as they had become so numerous of late, it was found necessary to take action. He had been instructed to say that the S.C.A. were not asking for a penalty but just a caution.

The Magistrate—And, of course, payment of wages due.

Inspector Fraser—Yes, your Worship.

The Inspector added that the girl was not willing to go back to her mistress.

His Worship registered a conviction, cautioned the woman, and further ordered payment of \$24.75 to the S.C.A. for the girl.

Dealing with the second case, Inspector Fraser said the girl, Wong Lin, was brought with Chap Kiu for registration at the S.C.A. office on May 10. It appears that Wong Lin ran away, but defendant failed to notify the S.C.A. to that effect. The girl had apparently escaped on the way, and ran home again. The girl had been with defendant since she was six years of age.

Replying to the Magistrate, defendant said her husband was a doctor and was at present abroad.

Inspector Fraser—I am instructed not to press for a heavy penalty, but to ask for a nominal penalty.

His Worship—Under the circumstances, then, I will make the fine \$25 in this case.

BOOT-CLEANER IN TROUBLE.

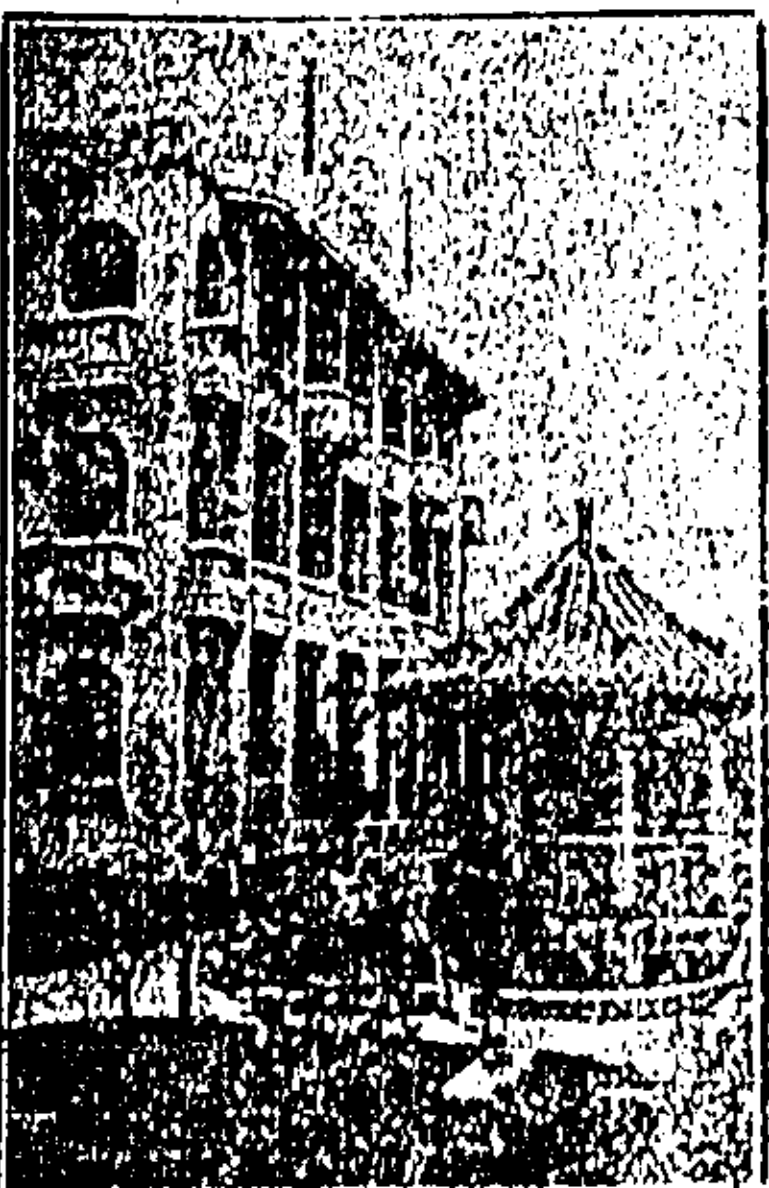
Youth's Lapse from Honesty.

Li Man-chung, (16), a Manila-born Chinese, and wearing the uniform of a Canton Government School, was charged before Mr. Schofield in the Central Police Court, this morning, with the theft of a wallet, \$85 and a silver watch, the property of an Indian Police Constable.

Pleading guilty, the youth said he stole the watch but only \$2 in money, and not \$85.

The prosecution's case was that accused was allowed to remain in the Indian policemen's quarters at Central Police Station for the purpose of cleaning boots, for which he used to be paid five or ten cents a time. He was not employed by any individual Indian. On the night of October 10, complainant was asleep in his quarters when accused entered. Taking the keys from off a shelf above the bed, accused opened a box and stole the wallet, a silver watch and chain, and, as alleged by the constable, \$85 which was in an envelope. Accused was suspected, and on being searched two pawn tickets were found, these relating to the wallet and the watch, which had been pawned for 50 cents and \$5, respectively. Although the youth was arrested the next day, no money whatsoever was found on him.

His Worship decided to remand the case till to-morrow, in order to give defendant an opportunity to refund \$5.50 to the pawnshop.



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STANDARD TIMES.

Sunrise and Sunset in Colony.

Sunrise and Sunset in Hong
Kong for October, 1931, Stan-
dard time of the 120th Meridian
East of Greenwich) are as fol-
lows:—

October	Sunrise a.m.	Sunset p.m.
14	6.19	6.00
15	6.19	5.59
16	6.20	5.58
17	6.20	5.57
18	6.21	5.56
19	6.21	5.55
20	6.21	5.55
21	6.22	5.54
22	6.22	5.53
23	6.22	5.53
24	6.23	5.52
25	6.24	5.51
26	6.25	5.51
27	6.25	5.50
28	6.25	5.49

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IMPORTANCE OF ARTESIAN WELLS.

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the original scepticism at the
thought of sinking a deep well is
readily disposed of by the relative
cheapness of the undertaking which
at first thought, seemed to be al-
together prohibitive.

This has been the experience of
numerous farmers and estate owners,
and the matter assumes the
greatest importance and claims the
earliest consideration before em-
barking upon any proposition in
which an adequate and cheap water
supply is an integral part of the
proposal.

Some Deep Wells.

From these wells very many com-
munities and private concerns draw
their water, and the experience of
some centuries of this type of
hydraulic work has resulted in the
possibility of wells being taken to
considerable depths, though these
are not usual in this country, where
water is met at relatively small
depths. Thus at Bourn in Lincoln-
shire a well of 134ft. depth gave a
continuous supply of water under
its own pressure amounting to
about 5,000,000 gallons per day, and
many other examples could be
quoted in which with smaller out-
puts the quantity is still of import-
ant magnitude.

While, however, depths of 300ft.
to 400ft. are quite common, there
are examples in which depths of
2,000ft. and over are necessary to
catch the required water. Deep
wells are, however, much more com-
mon on the Continent; and in
America wells are frequently taken
down to depths of 5,000ft.—notably
at Athens, California, where a depth
of 7,591ft. was reached.

Naturally there are difficulties at-
taching to these deep borings which
are met in the shallower wells com-
mon to this country. It must have
been a heart-breaking task to have
to carry through the boring of the
well at Grenelle which commenced
in 1834 and was not completed until
1841. After three years' work a
depth of 1,254ft. had been attained,
when nearly 300ft. of red broke and
fell to the bottom of the bore,
necessitating fifteen months' en-
deavour to extricate it.

In spite of these difficulties the
bore was carried down to 1,793ft.,
at which level there was a supply
of water amounting to 600 gallons
a minute, or 864,000 gallons per
day. Naturally, too, the water rose
with a marked temperature of
82deg. F., and such warmed water
is often of service in public in-
stitutions and works. In another
case, viz., that at Kissingen, in
Bavaria, water was forced up from
a depth of 1,813ft. by the pressure
of carbonic acid gas which had been
stored in the same locality.

Underground Flow of Water.

These underground supplies of
water often exhibit remarkable fea-
tures. Quite commonly it might be
anticipated that adjacent bores
would influence the available water
in each other, and this often hap-
pens. There are cases, however, in
which bores situated very close to
each other are quite independent of
each other. The whole problem of
the flow of underground water is
not generally well understood, and
some surprising results are on
record.

In one case a large mine which
had been daily raising a million
gallons had, for certain reasons, to
close down, necessitating, as it was
then thought, some means by ad-
jacent mines to deal with this
amount of water. Pumping plant
was installed to cope with the ex-
pected increase, which, however, did
not materialise, none of the adjacent
mines suffering from the closing
down of the original pumping plant.

Again, where surface water ob-
tained from rivers required filter-
ing, that from low depths has al-
ready undergone this process in
percolation, and thus involves no
expensive outlay in filter beds—a
useful set-off against the cost of the
pumping plant, though this in these
days is relatively small in compar-
ison with what it was years ago.

The Pollution Problem.

The boring of wells with the sub-
sequent pumping and distribution
of water has come to occupy a very
prominent position in the realm of
civil engineering, and the methods
of to-day show a marked advance on
those of olden times, although the
ancient methods still persist in re-
mote corners of civilisation. For-
merly it was the practice to dig a
hole of such depth that water would
percolate into and be retained by it.
This practice still obtains for rela-
tively small supplies, and such a
well on, say, a private estate, might
be of the dimensions of 4ft. in di-
ameter and 60ft. deep.

Examples of much larger wells of
this type are to be found at Cairo,
where a well, rectangular in shape,
measuring 24ft. by 18ft. to a depth
of 165ft., is followed by a further
cutting 15ft. by 9ft. and 130ft. deep.
Such a "hole" serves also the func-
tion of a storage reservoir. Usual-
ly, however, wells are much smaller
in area and deeper. Moreover,
water should not enter them except
at low depths, after it has passed
through a sufficient thickness of
subsoil to ensure purity. Too often
the shallow well is open to the pos-
sibility of pollution by the ingress
of surface water, which in modern
life may differ very considerably
from that of former times.

A very simple, rapid and inexpen-
sive well is that produced by using
what is called the Abyssinian tube,
which is applicable in certain cases
where the subsoil is suitable. In
one case a 2in. tube is delivering
600 gallons per hour, from a tube
of this diameter.

The Deeper Bores.

For most purposes wells must go
deeper, the depth in this country
varying from 200ft. to 600ft., the
latter depth being attained in as
little as ten days with modern drill-
ing plant. Usually the deeper bore
yields the more generous supply,
and occasionally provides water by
its own pressure, thus dispensing
with the installation of pumping
plant.

While large quantities of
water can frequently be ob-
tained from relatively small
bores, it is often necessary
to drill or sink wells of large
diameter; and from two 6 ft. bores,
with a depth of 100ft., no less than
1,000,000 gallons per hour have been
obtained. Before embarking upon
boring on this scale it is, of course,
expedient to put down test bores to
confirm the presence and supply of
the water.

Subsequent to boring there arises
the need for testing the capacity of
the well, for which purpose tempo-
rary pumping plant may be installed.
Such tests should run over a suffi-
ciently long period, so that quan-
tity and quality can be recorded, to-
gether with the effect on the water
level in the bore.

The development of the modern
pumping plant constitutes a feature
of the whole scheme, as not only is
it necessary to raise the water, but
often it may have to be distributed
over large areas, as, for example,
in irrigation schemes.

In the raising of the water from
the well the modern turbine pump
shows considerable advantages over
the reciprocating type, and is now
being largely installed, maintaining
a rapid and continuous flow of water
at relatively low cost. In fact, it
is surprising to note the cost of a
complete installation spread over
the annual supply of water in com-
parison with the charges which are
an everyday occurrence with the
large supply undertakings.

RADIO TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will
be broadcast to-day from the
Hong Kong Broadcasting Station
Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355
metres:

5-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
6-6.30 p.m.—Chinese Children's
Programme.

7-11 p.m.—European Programme
of Victor Records.

7.03-7.17 p.m.—Band Selections.

(a) The Red and Blue
(Westervolt-Geeckel).
(b) Hang Bell Davis (Dilley).
(c) Hall, Pennsylvania (Dilley).
(d) Pennsylvania Band March (Soliz).
(e) Fight on Pennsylvania (Zooz),
University of Pennsylvania
Band.

Stanford Songs—Medley.
Stanford Forever (Flint).
Stanford University Band.

7.17-7.28 p.m.—Organ Solos.

Toecata (Widor).
Reinhold Goss-Gustard, F.R.C.O.

First Symphony—Finale (Vierne).
Fernando Germani.

8 p.m.—Local Time.

7.28-8.08 p.m.—Variety.

Harmonica Solo—
Southern Melody Soft Shoe Dance,
Mountain Blues,
Jimmy Smith with Guitar.

Song—
I Don't Believe It—But Say It

Again,
I'd Climb the Highest Mountain if
I Knew I'd Find You.
Jack Smith (Whispering
Baritone).

Organ Solo—
Lenox Avenue Blues,
St. Louis Blues... Thomas Waller.

Song—
My Bundle of Love,
Gene Austin (Tenor).

Humorous Song—
Thanks for the Burgie Ride,
Frank Crumit.

Instrumental—
Kallio—Medley,
Waonahelo—Medley,
Royal Hawaiian Trio.

8.08-8.32 p.m.—Operatic.

Song—
Tosca—Love and Music (Puccini),
Maria Jeritza (Soprano).

Song—
La Boheme—Coldhearted Mimi
(Puccini),
Antonio Cortis (Tenor).

Orchestral—
Tristan and Isolde—Prelude
(Wagner),
San Francisco Symphony
Orchestra.

Chorus—
Trovatore—Anvil Chorus (Verdi),
Victor Mixed Chorus.

Chorus—
Tannhauser—Pilgrim's Chorus
(Wagner)... Victor Male Chorus.

8.32-9 p.m.—Instrumental.

Violin & Cymbal Duet—
The Broken Violin (Pista),
The Old Gypsy,
Bela Schaffer & Feri Sarkoz.

Piano Solo—
Etude in F Major (Mendelssohn),
Etude in A Minor (Mendelssohn),
Sergei Rachmaninoff.

Trio—
At the Brook (Bolsedoffe),
Venetian Trio.

Flute Solo—
Wind Amongst the Trees
(Briccaldi)... Clement Barone.

Piano Solo—
Liebesfreud (Love's Joy)
(Kreisler-Rachmaninoff),
Sergei Rachmaninoff.

9-11 p.m.—Dance Music.

Fox Trot—
One Alone,
The Riff Song,
I'm All Dressed Up With a Broken
Heart.

There's No Other Girl,
Your Land and My Land.

Waltz—
Silver Moon.

Fox Trot—
Minnie, the Mocher,
Hebbie Jeebies,
Just One More Chance,
At Your Command.

Waltz—
Twelve O'Clock Waltz,
Chiquita.

Fox Trot—
New Sun in the Sky,
I Love Louisa.

June Time is Love Time,
How the Time Can Fly,
Without That Gall.

Waltz—
When the Moon Comes Over the
Mountain.

Fox Trot—
I'm Keepin' Company,
When Yuba Plays the Rumba on
the Tuba.

One Night Alone with You,
After To-night,
Pardon Me Pretty Baby.

Waltz—

U.S. HOLDS FOR DISARMAMENT.

Drastic Cuts to Be Price Demanded.

WAR DEBT RELIEF.

Washington, October 8.

Drastic European disarmament is
the price for which the United
States is holding further relief from
the war debts owed by Europe.

It became clear to-day that this
understanding will be sought by
President Hoover during his con-
ference with Premier Laval of
France when the latter visits the
United States late this month.

It also became evident that dis-
armament and the naval holiday will
be linked with war debts and the
world financial situation and will be
the principal topics of discussion at
the Hoover-Laval meeting.

The reaction to the presi-
dent's discussion with the con-
gressional leaders at Tues-
day night's conference indicated
its judgment on extending the
moratorium to see what can be done
regarding disarmament in Europe.

The Hoover moratorium launched
last June is encountering difficulty
as the president prepares for his
conference with Premier Laval.
While no one doubts that congress
will ratify the one-year holiday on
war debt and reparations payments
already proclaimed by the adminis-
tration, the question of an extension
of two or three years beyond next
June is another.

Certain interests already are
bringing pressure upon the presi-
dent to get him to extend the
moratorium. Much of the agitation
centres in the New York banking
group upon which the president
must count for support for his new
prosperity credits programme.—
Associated Press.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRESS.

"Education—Its International
Aspect," was the subject chosen by
Professor L. Forster for his ad-
dress to the Rotary Club at their
weekly tiffin yesterday. He gave
his listeners an interesting insight
into the trend of modern education,
and touched on the munificence and
liberality of American education-
alists to the various nations of the
world, those benefiting ranging
from Britain to China.

Dealing with education in
France, he said that country had
14,729 foreign students in 1927 and
these paid only an infinitesimal
fraction of the cost of their educa-
tion. The benefit to France was
that she by this means assured for
herself authoritative and influen-
tial support of her culture when
these students returned to their
own country and became instruc-
tors of their own people.

NO DEATH PENALTY.

Madrid, September 10.

Death penalties have been
abolished for all crimes of a civil
nature and in all military cases
except in time of war under the new
Spanish constitution submitted to
the national assembly.—Associated
Press.

Many Happy Returns of the Day.
Fox Trot—
Tea for Two.
I Want to be Happy.
Let me Hum a Hymn to Her
To-night.
Can't You Read Between the Lines.
Should I?
Waltz—
A Bundle of Old Love Letters.
Fox Trot—
Look in the Looking Glass.
Nevertheless.
The Hour of Parting.
That Little Boy of Mine.
Waltz—
Revenge.
Dolores.
11 p.m.—Close Down.

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CURRENT SPORTING GOSSIP

Y.M.C.A. DEFEAT THE JAT REGIMENT.

Forwards Show Good Understanding.

SELK'S LEADERSHIP.

At King's Park yesterday the Y.M.C.A. first eleven defeated the 3/9th Jat Regiment by the odd goal in three. It was a fast game throughout and though they were playing with four reserves in the side and one borrowed player, the Y.M.C.A. were full value for their victory.

The "Y" forward line turned out at full strength yesterday for the first time this season, and their good understanding yesterday afternoon augurs well for the future. It is a fast combination admirably led by F. Selk who is a dandy marksman inside the circle.

The "Y" were the first to score, Selk finding the net as the result of a perfect forward movement operated from the right. They held their lead until half way through the second half when the Jat inside left equalised as the result of a smart raid on the home goal. Five minutes before the close Burnett gave the "Y" their winning goal.

For the Y.M.C.A. Skinner played a great game in goal and was largely responsible for saving his side during one exciting raid in the second half. Mitchell at half-back also played a sterling game in defence.

Result:—

Y.M.C.A. 2
3/9th Jat Regiment ... 1

Y.M.C.A.:—L. D. Skinner; A. Tate, E. O. Murphy; G. Mitchell, R. A. Bates, L. W. Tippet; J. J. Ferguson, G. C. Burnett, F. Selk, W. J. Brown, and T. J. Price.

K.B.S.F.P.A. Ladies Win.
At King's Park yesterday the K.B.S.F.P.A. Ladies' Hockey eleven

SHANGHAI LOSE TO YACHT CLUB.

Local Team Hold Lead Throughout.

The Shanghai Interport bowlers suffered a defeat at the hands of a Hong Kong Yacht Club rink by a margin of four shots yesterday.

Shanghai.		Yacht Club.	
Yacht Club.	Shanghai.	Yacht Club.	Shanghai.
A. Stevenson	F. Medina	A. Stevenson	F. Medina
P. W. Ramsay	N. Peck	P. W. Ramsay	N. Peck
Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern	G. B. Stormes	Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern	G. B. Stormes
W. Macfarlane	C. Richards	W. Macfarlane	C. Richards
(Skip) ... 18	(Skip) ... 14	(Skip) ... 18	(Skip) ... 14
Heads	Shots	Heads	Shots
1 ... 2	2 ... 2	1 ... 2	2 ... 2
2 ... 1	3 ... 1	2 ... 1	3 ... 1
3 ... 3	4 ... 1	3 ... 3	4 ... 1
4 ... 3	5 ... 1	4 ... 3	5 ... 1
5 ... 3	6 ... 1	5 ... 3	6 ... 1
6 ... 3	7 ... 1	6 ... 3	7 ... 1
7 ... 3	8 ... 1	7 ... 3	8 ... 1
8 ... 3	9 ... 1	8 ... 3	9 ... 1
9 ... 3	10 ... 1	9 ... 3	10 ... 1
10 ... 3	11 ... 1	10 ... 3	11 ... 1
11 ... 3	12 ... 1	11 ... 3	12 ... 1
12 ... 3	13 ... 1	12 ... 3	13 ... 1
13 ... 3	14 ... 1	13 ... 3	14 ... 1
14 ... 3	15 ... 1	14 ... 3	15 ... 1
15 ... 3	16 ... 1	15 ... 3	16 ... 1
16 ... 3	17 ... 1	16 ... 3	17 ... 1
17 ... 3	18 ... 1	17 ... 3	18 ... 1
18 ... 3	19 ... 1	18 ... 3	19 ... 1
19 ... 3	20 ... 1	19 ... 3	20 ... 1
20 ... 3	21 ... 1	20 ... 3	21 ... 1
21 ... 3	22 ... 1	21 ... 3	22 ... 1

PRIVACY ADOPTED BY H.K.F.A.

Cup and Charity Fixtures.

At a meeting of the Hong Kong Football Association Council yesterday, it was decided to accept

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avenged their earlier defeat at the hands of the Club de Recreio ladies when they won a well deserved victory by two clear goals.

HELEN WILLS FOR HONG KONG.

Coming on President Coolidge.

TOUR OF ORIENT.

New York, Yesterday. Mrs. Moody (Miss Helen Wills) and her husband are to sail for the Far East aboard the liner President Coolidge on her maiden trip. The voyage will be somewhat of a "husman's" holiday for, while Mrs. Moody will participate in several tennis tournaments, her husband, who is a stock-broker, will have charge of the brokerage office aboard the President Coolidge. They will call at Yokohama, Shanghai, Hong Kong and Manila.—Reuter's American Service.

SUNDAY CRICKET.

Volunteers Team Selected.

The following will represent the Hong Kong Volunteers against the Royal Navy on the Navy ground, King's Park, on Sunday at 2 p.m.: A. C. Beck, G. C. Burnett, R. R. Davies, R. H. Griffiths, L. D. Kilbee, N. A. E. Mackay, G. C. Moutrie, A. Reid, J. E. Richardson, B. L. Stock, and R. Stillard.

Shanghai's invitation to send a team to the northern port early next year to take part in the Interport contests. It was also decided to reserve November 11, 1931, for a charity match in aid of Earl Haig's Fund (Poppy Day).

In connection with the withdrawal of the Chinese teams from the League a discussion was held by the Council in private, after which the dates for the Lai Wah Cup and the Sunday Herald Charity Cup matches were fixed.

SHANGHAI INTERPORT TRIAL

Donald Leach Bowls Successfully.

[From The China Press.]

Shanghai, Oct. 4. Preparation for the coming Interport Cricket against Hong Kong was begun yesterday with a match on the Cricket Club's ground between sides captained respectively by Donald Leach and Rev. E. K. Quick. The pick of the local cricketers participated in this match, both sides being plentiful in bowlers and bats, but the result was most unexpected as Leach's eleven underwent defeat by seven wickets the final scores of the game being Leach's XI. 38, Rev. Quick's XI. 177, the former's score being passed before the fourth wicket fell.

Wales and Mansel-Smith bowled remarkably well and took all the wickets between them against Leach's team, the former returned the excellent average of 5 for 20 while Mansel-Smith was not far behind with 4 for 15. On their form yesterday, both players won their places in the Interport team, especially Wales, his bowling average for the season being far above the possible candidates.

Mansel-Smith has also distinguished himself on more than one occasion this season with the bat and his performance yesterday against Leach's batsmen should make him another certainty in the departing team.

Bowlers in Good Form.

Leach's side had first knock, the match commencing shortly after one o'clock but they were unable to stand up to the deadly attack of Wales and Mansel-Smith who skittled them for the low score of 38. It was rather amazing to see a whole string of first class bats being dismissed successively without a single one attaining double figures, the highest individual score on the side being six, which all three of the Rees' representatives, Merritt, Wilson and Isaacs scored.

The light was bad and the soft wicket was in a great measure responsible for the effectiveness of both Wales and Mansel-Smith. However, such conditions are to be expected and both sides were

under the same disadvantage. In spite of this, Rev. Quick's side replied with the good score of 177, of which Booth (56) and P. Madar (42) were the top-scorers. Three other players also reached double figures, S. Kermani (19), Capt. Harris and Mansel-Smith (12).

Booth, Madar Star with Bat. Both Booth and Madar batted convincingly in the face of a battery of seasoned bowlers, Leach eventually securing the best average with 6 for 53. Torry Wilson claimed the remaining three for 43 runs.

Leach's battery had to use all their tricks to separate Booth and Madar who made the stand of the match, almost a hundred runs being made before they were shifted. Booth has distinguished himself as a reliable bat while Madar's performances in the Rees-Cricket Club "rubber" matches should make him a useful change bowler in case his services as a bat may not be required in the forthcoming classic in Hong Kong. Elliott and Isaacs were not effective but the latter was taken off before he could settle down to the sticky wicket. Both players have taken part in first class matches and the latter's reputation

Our Sports Diary.

LOCAL.

HOCKEY—To-day—Hong Kong Hockey Club v. 3/9th Jat Regt. Friday—H.K. Hockey Club "A" v. Club de Recreio.

LAWN BOWLS—To-day—Hong Kong v. Shanghai (Second Rink). To-morrow—Shanghai v. Second Division.

Friday—Shanghai v. Happy Valley. Saturday—Hong Kong v. Shanghai (Third and Last Rink).

RUGBY FOOTBALL—To-day—H.K.F.C. Trial at Happy Valley; K.B.S.F.P.A. Trial at King's Park. FIVE P.M.—To-morrow—Men's Championship—Shu Shu-ching v. Shu Shu-kow.

AQUATICS—To-morrow—Entries close for V.R.C. Harbour Races at 6 p.m.

as an interporter should put him in for further trial before the final selection is made.

Scores:—

Mr. Leach's XI.	
H. A. Coward, c Booth, b	4
Wales	4
P. V. Simpson, c Thomson, b	4
Mansel-Smith	0
A. J. Barson, st. Kermani, b	0
Wales	0
F. Marshall, b Wales	2
R. Townsend, b Wales	2
D. W. Leach, st. Kermani, b	2
Mansel-Smith	2
C. J. Merritt, run out	6
R. S. Elliott, b Mansel-Smith	1
T. W. R. Wilson, c Mansel-Smith, b Wales	6
J. A. Isaacs, b Mansel-Smith	6
Dr. H. H. Morris, not out	4
Extras	3

Total ... 88

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
C. D. Wales	14	6	20	5
W. Mansel-Smith	13.5	8	15	4
Fall of wickets:—1 for 11; 2 for 11; 3 for 11; 4 for 12; 5 for 13; 6 for 20; 7 for 22; 8 for 27; 9 for 29; 10 for 38.				

Rev. Quick's XI.

S. R. Kermani, run out	19
Capt. A. L. S. Harris, c	12
Barson, b Leach	7
J. M. Pearson, b Leach	56
R. Booth, b Leach	42
P. Madar, b Wilson	2
C. E. M. Thomson, c and b	2
Leach	10
O. Moor, c Townsend, b	10
Wilson	3
Dr. H. H. Morris, c Merritt, b	3
Wilson	2
Rev. E. K. Quick, c Wilson, b	2
Leach	9
C. D. Wales, not out	12
W. Mansel-Smith, c Simpson, b Leach	12
Extras	3

Total ... 177

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
J. A. Isaacs	3	1	29	0
J. W. R. Wilson	12	2	43	8
R. S. Elliott	18	3	27	0
D. W. Leach	21.3	4	53	6
C. J. Merritt	3	0	12	0
Fall of wickets:—1 for 28; 2 for 34; 3 for 38; 4 for 133; 5 for 137; 6 for 148; 7 for 148; 8 for 151; 9 for 156; 10 for 177.				

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**KAYE DON OFFERED
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Toronto, Oct. 3.
An anonymous Detroit sportsman has most generously offered Kaye Don \$20,000 for the purpose of building a new speed boat for the 1932 Harmsworth trophy. This sporting offer has been made in the event of Lord Wakefield deciding not to enter another boat next year.

It is understood, however, that Kaye Don will not have to avail himself of this munificent gift, as Lord Wakefield has every intention of building a boat for next year's contest.—Reuter.

**CROMB STICKS BY HIS
TEAM.****Lancashire Offer.**

Scarborough, Sept. 11.
I had an interview with Mr. J. C. Crompton, the New Zealand bowler, and asked him whether it was correct that he had been offered a salary of £20 a week to play for Nelson in Lancashire League cricket.

Crompton, who was about to go on the field with the team against Mr. H. D. G. Leveson-Gower's eleven, smilingly replied: "I am not going to stay in this country."

"But is it correct to say that you have had an offer?" I asked.

"Yes," he replied, "I have had an offer but I am going back with the team."

Dempster's Deaf Ear.

The Daily Herald correspondent announces that he is able to state that determined attempts have been made to get C. S. Dempster's signa-

**WAR LORD DONATES
CHARITY CUP.****Million Dollar Sweep.**

Shanghai, Oct. 4.

A silver cup has been donated by President Chiang Kai-shek for the winner of the National Championship Sweepstakes to be run on October 25 at the Yangtze River course in aid of flood relief along the Yangtze, according to an announcement made by the officials of the Chinese Jockey Club yesterday.

Mr. T. V. Soong, Minister of Finance, has donated a cup for the second pony while Mayor Chang Chun has also consented to give a cup for the third pony to finish. These trophies will be presented to the winning ponies together with stakes of \$5,000, \$2,000 and \$1,000 respectively.

Sale on the sweep tickets are now in full swing, and it is expected by the club officials that before the race is run, the whole of the 100,000 tickets will be sold out. The first prize will be \$448,000 it is stated.

ture to a Lancashire League club contract. Dempster, however, turned a deaf ear to every proposal. He, like most of his fellow New Zealanders, is an amateur in the real sense of the term. To him cricket is just a game—not a business. I understand he will, as a matter of fact, play very little cricket in the future and will not be able to make another tour to England. Few cricketers have been as popular in England as Dempster and he will be greatly missed the next time these great sportsmen visit England.

**WARNING ISSUED TO
SOUTH AFRICANS.****Oxford Captain on
British Rugby.****MUD MAY BE UPSETTING.**

Johannesburg, Sept. 13.
A warning against being too confident over the results of the South African Rugby visit to Britain is uttered by Holmeys, the South African Rhodes scholar who captained Oxford University against Cambridge last year.

Writing in the Johannesburg "Star," Holmeys says the first thing that struck him on coming back to Britain was the air of supreme confidence, shared by players and public alike, in discussing the prospects of the Springbok team which arrives in England on Monday. Players seemed to be champing at the bit and longing to get to grips with their British "victims" in order to smash them completely.

"From this it would appear as if the British players are going to be the victims of a Ramon holiday," he says. "Our players, the lions in the play, are meanwhile licking their chops as they wait for their victims and growl impatiently at the delay. The inaccurate character in the picture is the victim, who, as I know from personal experience, has not the meek and gentle temperament of the martyr of old."

One disadvantage which might very well turn out to be a serious one, continues Holmeys, is that the South Africans will have to play under entirely different conditions. The fact that they are probably the world's best exponents of dry weather football is no conclusive proof that they will therefore also triumph in the English mud over sides which, although they would definitely be very shaky indeed playing under South African conditions, are well skilled and experienced in their own particular style of play. The tourists will have to play the English game, a game with which the home sides will all be thoroughly acquainted but which the Springboks have to learn from the beginning.

"The last Test match at Newlands against the 'All Blacks' three years ago proved this only too conclusively. It proved that, although the South Africans could pass and kick beautifully with a dry-ball, they were all at sea on a wet ground with the ball muddy and the foothold insecure. The

spectators saw the pathetic sight of a fine Springbok side being virtually disgraced by a team they had beaten twice before merely because they only knew of one set of tactics and that particular afternoon did not happen to be the right afternoon for those tactics.

"Drop this superiority complex," urges Holmeys, "or the Springboks may again enter the field with the wrong weapons, and we might have a repetition at Twickenham of the Newlands debacle."

British Rugby, he says, has steadily gone down during the last few years, and there has been but few signs of the rot being stopped. All the sides in Britain, with perhaps the exception of Wales, lack inspiring leadership. They each need a strong man who can convert a mixture of fifteen ordinary players into a first-rate international side. British play at the moment is sadly disjointed and unenterprising, and the players are inclined to be rather easily rattled owing to the fact that they lack leaders. The old-time English Rugby player sighs when he thinks of the English pack a few years ago and of the disjointed pack to-day. Then there was a nucleus—Voyce, Blakiston, Cove-Smith, and Tucker, and the whole, led by Wakefield, was in its own muddy element virtually invincible.

"Fortunately for us," he concludes, "it is quite a different story to-day. If our men play the correct wet-weather game I feel that their weight, fitness, and superior craft should swing the balance in our favour on every occasion. Except for Wales, who will cause a lot of trouble in the mud, the international sides need not be feared, but they must be respected."—Press Association Foreign Special.

**FOREIGN BOXERS
MUST HAVE LICENCES.****British Action.**

London, Oct. 7.

Allen boxers henceforth will be required to take out a licence from the British Board of Boxing Control. The charge for the permit is five shillings and it will be good for 12 months from issue.

The fact that British boxers are required to pay a fee when appearing in most foreign rings has prompted the stewards of the B.B.C. to take this action. Formerly visiting boxers, have fought in British rings without B.B.C. licences.—United Press.

**SOUTH AFRICAN
TOURISTS.****Sixteen Players for
Australia.****CAMERON CAPTAIN.**

The following constituted the South African team which sailed for Australia on October 2:—

H. B. Cameron (Western Province) (captain),
B. Mitchell (Transvaal),
J. A. J. Christy (Transvaal),
H. W. Taylor (Transvaal),
E. L. Dalton (Natal),
S. L. Steyn (Border),
A. J. Bell (Western Province),
Q. McMillan (Transvaal),
E. A. Vander Merwe (Transvaal),
D. Morkel (Western Province),
E. L. Brown (Transvaal),
K. Viljoen (Griqualand West),
X. Balakas (Griqualand West),
S. Curnow (Transvaal),
C. L. Vincent (Transvaal), and
N. Quinn (Griqualand West).

The following is the programme of matches for the tour:—

October 22 (3 days) v. West Australia at Perth.

October 30 (4 days) v. South Australia at Adelaide.

November 6 (4 days) v. Victoria at Melbourne.

November 13 (4 days) v. New South Wales at Sydney.

November 20 (4 days) v. Queensland at Brisbane.

November 27 First Test at Brisbane.

December 5 (3 days) v. Combined Country at Newcastle.

December 11 (4 days) v. New South Wales at Sydney.

December 18 Second Test at Sydney.

December 26 (2 days) v. Combined Country at Geelong.

January 1 Third Test at Adelaide.

January 8 (4 days) v. Victoria at Melbourne.

January 15 Fourth Test at Sydney.

January 23 (3 days) v. Tasmania at Launceston.

January 29 (3 days) v. Tasmania at Hobart.

February 5 Fifth Test at Melbourne.

February 13 (4 days) v. South Australia at Adelaide.

February 25 (3 days) v. West Australia at Perth.

Six-Ball Over for Tests.

In the Test matches, the six-ball over will be in force, but the eight-ball over will be adopted in the remaining matches of the tour.

**AGA KHAN'S RACING
DISAGREEMENT.****Startles the Turf.**

London, Sept. 28.

A sudden disagreement between the Aga Khan and his trainer, R. C. Dawson, has startled the racing world.

The tiff began with a discussion as to which jockey should ride Khorsheed in the Jockey Club Stakes at Newmarket on Thursday.

The upshot of the difference is that the Aga Khan is removing all his horses from Dawson, his trainer for the past decade, to John Beary, at Tilshead, Wiltshire.

Beary is the brother of the jockey, Michael Beary, the first jockey of Dawson's stable.

After H. S. Perse, Dawson was the most successful trainer last year, in that his 18 winning horses represented £47,815 in stake money. His successes included the Derby with the Aga Khan's Blenheim, the Cesarewitch, Ellipse Stakes and Champion Stakes with Ruston Pasha for the same owner, in addition to Two Thousand Guineas and St. Leger winners in Diophon and Salmon Trout respectively.

**WINDSOR LEWIS WINS
THE MATCH.****Dropped Goal.**

A great dropped goal from mid-field by Windsor Lewis, the Welsh international half-back, gave Guy's Hospital their 9-6 victory over Plymouth Albion on September 26. Other results were Somerset 12, Lancashire 18; Leicester 25,

**SOMERSET CRICKET
LOSSES.****\$2,000 Deficit due to
Bad Weather.**

Having lost £2,000 in the past season, Somerset County Cricket Club are making two urgent appeals for assistance, one to members and the other to the general public.

In the latter appeal it is stated that two-thirds of the loss is due solely to bad weather, which prevented hardly any of the county's home matches from occupying the full three days.

The staff of the County Cricket Club have volunteered a cut of 5 per cent. in their salaries.

**BENNY LEONARD'S
VICTORY.****Comeback Preliminaries**

New York, Oct. 6.

Making his first appearance in seven years, Benny Leonard, former world's lightweight champion, knocked out Pal Silvers, of Brownsville, New Jersey, in the second round of a scheduled ten-round bout. Leonard weighed 152 and Silvers 157.

Under Jack Kearns' management, Leonard is attempting a comeback, with the middleweight crown as his objective.—Associated Press.

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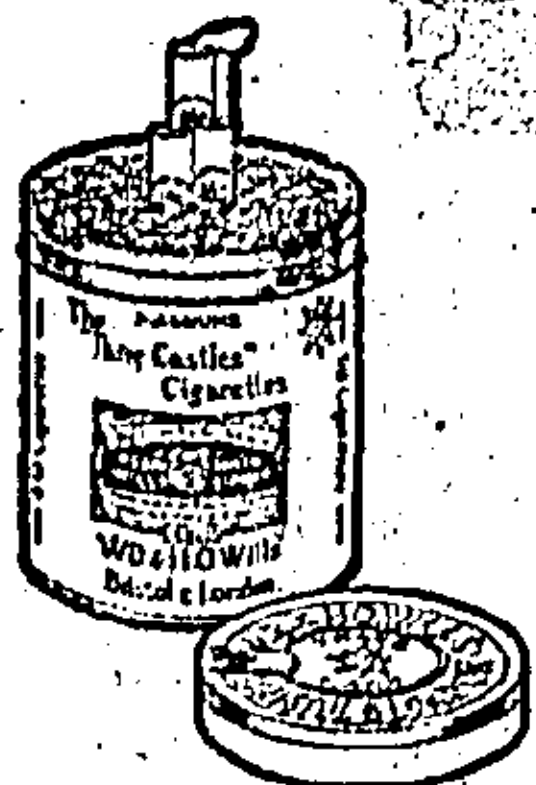
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The China Mail

Hong Kong, Wednesday, Oct. 14, 1931.

Real Economy.

Local folk who are feeling the pinch, grumbling at the increased cost of all necessities, and, may be, resolving to save more rather than spend more than in the past, may not care to be told that this is not real economy. That versatile writer, Edgar Wallace, warns the readers of a Home paper to beware of the wrong kind of economy. Were he a resident of this Colony he would probably ventilate similar opinions trimmed to suit local conditions. He tells employers that the one thing they must not do is to economise in labour. "The greatest economy to-day is to increase the number of men you employ." There is, he says, quite a number of intelligent people who are balancing their own budgets and discharging a further stream of unemployed to swell the appalling total of that highly dangerous body. In black type he adds:—

Economy which can only be effected by throwing people out of work is not only bad economy but it is insane economy. The motto for to-day is: "Employ until it hurts."

We can imagine some firms in Hong Kong, and even the Government itself, smiling cynically at this advice from Edgar Wallace. Certain good folk can only think of one side: the less struggling employees they pay the more will be the dividends for shareholders, the more fees for directors, and the greater profits for taipans! For these here is another Edgar Wallaceism:—

Let us have an orgy of paying people, finding work for them, making work for them, getting them off the dole and into our plants and our offices, not to idle but, if we have any faith whatever in the future, to undertake work that will ensure our future.

He is not content to lecture to employers only. He urges people generally not to economise in the purchase of any article made in Britain where wages are visible in the purchase. Don't say you

cannot afford it if you need it, or if it can be used to your advantage. Don't put off buying, or your good times will never come. It is poor economy for a tailor to put off buying a new pair of boots if by buying this pair of boots he enables the shoemaker to pay the first instalment on a new suit. We have been told by learned economists (who were not so learned that they had the intelligence to see this crisis coming) that we must avoid all unnecessary expenditure. That is very simple, but we have got to remember that when we say "unnecessary" we must think entirely of our own needs. It is very necessary to the vendor that we should buy many things which we do not exactly want ourselves for the moment. Every dollar we spend that goes abroad is a waste. There is nothing emotional about that appeal to "Buy British" and nothing sentimental. It is impossible that we can avoid sending money abroad. We do not produce our own food. We have got to make our little gadgets and sell them to the people outside or exchange them for food and raw material plus the gold which represents the difference in the values of the raw material and the manufactured article. If we cannot sell and maintain this balance of trade we starve.

These thoughts from the fertile pen of Edgar Wallace can be adapted in this Colony alike by employers of labour and by purchasers of goods—necessities and luxuries as well.

From Other Pens.

Propaganda by Fable.

In this connection the Moscow "Pravda" has developed a new feature.

Under the heading of "In the Land of Record Poverty" there is a column in which the blackness of American unemployment is illuminated for the benefit of the masses by a series of short fables.

Here is a typical example:

A little American school-girl faints in class. The teacher revives her and asks her what is wrong.

"Nothing," says the child.

"I'm hungry."

"Go home quickly then and get something to eat."

The child shakes her head.

"It's no good," she says. "To-day's not my eating day. It's my sister's."

There is a certain grimness in the suggestion to the Russian masses, who know all about starvation, that food conditions in America are worse than in their own country.

Right to Marriage.

The South Norwood vicar who requires couples desiring to be married to say whether they believe in the indissolubility of marriage will, I think, find himself in trouble if he is not careful.

Apparently no negative answer has yet been given. But the plain implication is that, if it were, the vicar would refuse to perform the ceremony, which would be a flat defiance of the law.

Every person has a common law right to be married in, his parish church by his parish clergyman, subject to certain exceptions laid down by statute. Those who do not believe in the indissolubility of marriage are not included among these exceptions.

A Broadmoor Autobiography.

The Broadmoor autobiography, which is published under the title of "Guilty, But Insane," is a remarkable document. The author is a man who took first-class honours at his University, served with distinction in the war, and afterwards, as a result of a nervous breakdown, murdered one of his creditors.

After eight years in the red-bricked Berkshire criminal asylum he recovered his mental balance. Now he has given his experiences to the world in a book the matter of which is the more convincing because of the literary skill with which it is presented.—Londoner.

News in Brief.

The lowest open air temperature yesterday was 68 degrees. The humidity was 52 at 10 a.m. and 49 at 4 p.m.

The total output of the Kailash Mining Administration's mines for the week ended September 26, amounted to 104,266 metric tons, and the sales to 80,562 metric tons.

Personal Pars.

Mr. Liu Wen-tao, former Mayor of Hankow, has been appointed Minister to Germany.

Sir Miles Lampson is due to arrive in Nanking to-day from Peking.

At the fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board, yesterday, Mr. G. R. Sayer (Chairman) welcomed Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy as a member of the Board vice Dr. W. V. M. Koch, who has left the Colony.

ROBBERS GANG'S IMPLEMENTS?

Woman Imprisoned for Possession.

REVOLVERS AND AMMUNITION.

Satisfied that the accused knew that the arms were there in the house, Mr. Schofield, this morning, passed sentence of four months' hard labour, and additionally imposed a fine of \$200, or in default two months' hard labour, on a unlawful possession of two loaded Chinese married woman, who appeared on a remand charge for the revolvers, and ten rounds of ammunition, at 336, Queen's Road West.

Detective-Sergeant Meadows said they were unable to find the woman's husband, and no further trace of him could be made. He had apparently disappeared. It appears that he was in the house on the day it was raided, but when the Police entered the man had gone. The woman, who was in a cubicle, in which the arms were found in an unlocked drawer of a table, tried to escape but was prevented. The Sergeant submitted that the woman must have had knowledge of the presence of the arms, because they were so easily accessible. Two knives, wrapped in separate pieces of paper, were also found under a bed. They were similar to the type used in robberies, and it would seem that the implements, together with the revolvers and ammunition, had been left in the premises by a gang.

THREE CHILDREN PER FAMILY.

Needed to Keep Up Population.

"Three children per family are required to make good the losses and keep up the population. One-child families mean halving the population."

"The Dominions and Colonies of Britain occupy one-fourth of the best land of the world, and we ought to send there a quarter of a million emigrants a year."

Sir Leonard Hill, in his presidential address to the Sanitary Inspectors' Association Congress at Birmingham made these observations with reference to the over-population of Great Britain and the under-population of the Empire.

Young People Needed.

Between 1921 and 1931, Sir Leonard pointed out, the population of Great Britain had increased its rate saving effected by the fall in the more than in the ten years 1911-1921, which included the war period the infant mortality rate compensated very little for the enormous drop in the birth-rate, and very shortly the population would be stationary.

"We need young people," said Sir Leonard Hill, "to govern and to develop the Empire and make markets for British goods. The British Empire contains only 5,000,000 white families."

"Luxury and decay of virility in big cities, the limitation of breeding, abnormal sexuality, doles, and the employment of mercenaries have preceded the downfall of empires in the past, and yet if kept within bounds who can deny that limitation of breeding is an excellent thing?"

"At the moment Britain is dangerously over-populated, depending as it does almost entirely on imported food bought by the sale of its manufactures. The population of the world is increasing at present by 12,000,000 a year. This cannot continue."

Rearing a Better Race.

"A far less cruel world can be brought about only by a rational limitation of the birth-rate, but this must be coupled with a realistic of the duty to keep up a virile race, and the application of science to the prevention of disease, to warding off natural disasters, and to securing the necessities and comforts of life."

"The proportion of mental defectives in the population has increased from four to eight per thousand in twenty-five years. There is some danger of an increase in inferior types, and birth control is at a minimum among those with a tendency to mental defects."

"While infant mortality has been greatly lessened and the expectation of life at birth has increased from twelve to fourteen years, hardly anything has been done to extend life at late middle-age."

"The increased expectation of life at 60 is only two years. There is every reason to think that, under good conditions and by education in wise and disciplined habits, life would be greatly prolonged."

TEN RULES.

Getting the Best Out of Life.

A competition in Sweden has resulted in the following best ten "rules of life" (says Reuter from Stockholm).

- 1.—Forget unpleasant things as quickly as possible.
- 2.—Learn the art of being pleasant to others, and don't be sparing in kind words.
- 3.—Never expect too much of your friends.
- 4.—Never make great demands upon others.
- 5.—Listen patiently while others complain, but never complain yourself.
- 6.—Master your moods and your nerves.
- 7.—See life on its bright side.
- 8.—Show everybody that you trust them as long as you have no reason not to.
- 9.—Do what you can to show that you share the sorrows and joys of others.
- 10.—Never provide an occasion for an apology from yourself. Forgiveness may be a kind of reconciliation, but it is humiliating.

DISPUTANTS STATE CASES.

(Continued from Page 1.)

The Chinese Case.

Geneva, Yesterday.
Dr. Sze, who was greatly moved, pointed out that as soon as China had been taken unawares by the events following the night of September 18, she appealed to the League. Her territory was occupied by foreign forces, and she was the victim of forms of violence which generally prompted people to use violence in return but, China turned instead to the institution at Geneva and placed her case unreservedly before the League, and agreed to be guided in her action by the decisions of the Council.

A Serious Outrage.

It was hoped that by October 14 the Japanese troops would be withdrawn to the railway zone or outside China, but instead there were further acts of violence by Japanese troops, culminating in the bombing of Chinchow. It was the seriousness of this outrage which compelled the Chinese Government to ask the League to meet again as early as possible.

"Dignified Calm."

Dr. Sze referred to the Chinese appeal to the League and to Chiang Kai-shek's proclamations on September 22 and in October, and emphasised that China had not resisted, and had withdrawn her troops and maintained an attitude of dignified calm, because she was a loyal member of the League and trusted it.

Covenant and Pact.

"The Covenant and Kellogg Pact are two sheet-anchors to which we have moored our ship of state, and with the help of which we believe we will ride out the storm. The Covenant and Pact are also corner stones of the world edifice of peace, and if they crumble, the edifice will collapse, for is it likely that the nations who witnessed the tragic collapse of the Covenant and Pact at the first great test, with all its dire consequences, would assemble quietly at Geneva in February to disarm?"

The Case for Japan.

At the afternoon proceedings a grave and almost tense atmosphere prevailed.

Mr. Yoshizawa read a lengthy statement explaining the situation in Manchuria and the interests of Japan there, mentioning the anti-Japanese propaganda, acts of Chinese bandits and ex-soldiers, and the necessity for protecting Japan's nationals.

He concluded by reiterating that Japan would withdraw her troops to the railway zone as soon as her nationals were no longer endangered.

GANDHI TO HAVE THE PEACE PRIZE?

Gandhi, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and President Hoover are being discussed as the most likely competitors for the Nobel Peace Prize this year, reports the newspaper Morgenbladet. The prize is awarded by a committee of five persons elected by the Norwegian Parliament. It is the 30th year of the awards.

Last year the Peace Prize was awarded to Archbishop Soderblom, of Uppsala, though Mr. MacDonald was considered a strong candidate, having been suggested earlier in 1930 by the Swedish Social Democratic Party.

Alfred Nobel, who founded the prizes, was a Swedish scientist. He died in 1896, leaving \$1,750,000, the interest on which he ordered to be paid to those who contributed most for mankind each year in the realms of physics, chemistry, medicine, literature and the promotion of peace. First awards were made in 1901.—British United Press.

Ten Years Ago.

[From the "China Mail" of October 14, 1921.]

To-day's dollar is worth 2/11 1/2.

The Police Social Section gave their first dance of the season in the gymnasium at Headquarters last night, over 100 persons taking part.

A most enjoyable evening was spent mainly due to the efforts of the Hon. Sec., Mr. P. Condon. It may also be mentioned that the section is in the fortunate position of being able to provide its own musicians, who yesterday proved themselves to be the real thing.

These dances are to be held in alternate weeks, and whilst drives will be given in the intervening weeks.

"PISTOLS FOR TWO AND COFFEE FOR ONE"

Procedure Evolved by Tradition and Cavalier Law.

DUELLING IN ITALY.

Why Boxing Is Considered Unsportsmanlike.

The popular British idea that the Italian duel is a farcical affair or that quarrels are settled on the spot after an order to the café waiter for "pistols for two and coffee for one" reveals complete ignorance of one of the most characteristic of continental manners.

The procedure which tradition and Cavalier Law have evolved provides, for British people at least, one of the most talked-of but least understood foreign customs.

Duelling in Italy is illegal. In the new Penal Code, drawn up by the Fascist Government, it is a criminal offence, with greatly augmented punishments, not only for the duellists but for all those party to the combat in any way. Duels nevertheless continue to be fought; but their very illegality gives such events an extra seriousness.

Custom and tradition are in a sense stronger than the law, but protection from its possible due penalties can only be gained (and that potentially) by the strictest adherence to the complicated ramifications of the "Cavaliere Code."

Woe betide the two hot-heads who in the climax of a quarrel would seek to settle affairs there and then by recourse to arms. Both—and without any public sympathy—would find themselves, in gaol, and if one had wounded the other, the full punishment for murderous assault would be given him in the criminal courts.

Blind Eye of Law.

On the other hand, all quarrels settled by arms in meticulous conformity to the "Codice Cavalleresco Italiano" are practically certain to enjoy the blind eye of the law. If the duellists are caught, red-handed, they and all present will be arrested and brought to trial, but the submission of evidence showing strict adherence to the letter and spirit of the Cavalier Code will in all normal circumstances reduce the penalties to practically a nominal level.

The officers of the law, however, will do all in their power to prevent the occurrence of a duel, and not the least arduous work of the seconds is to escape the vigilance of the police.

This "Codice Cavalleresco Italiano" is a written code; and while one of the most thumbable books in Italy, it is practically unknown in England. It is a manual of some three hundred pages written and compiled by Cav. Jacopo Gelli—it is the dueller's bible, writes the Rome correspondent of the Morning Post.

Only "gentlemen" may fight duels, and apart from the social implication of the word it is laid down that a would-be combatant is disqualified from being a gentleman if he has been sentenced in any Court for offences against honour or morality, if a jury or duelling Court of Honour has deprived him of cavalier prerogatives, or if his two seconds or the four seconds disqualify him in a duly authenticated written report.

Arbitration.

If a man is challenged to a duel he must within 24 hours nominate two representatives who must come into contact with two representatives of the challenger. The mission of these four representatives is not to fix up a fight, but to do their best to patch up the quarrel in a way satisfactory to the offended party, consistent with safeguarding his self-respect.

If these efforts fail the representatives can nominate an arbitrator to judge the merits of the quarrel. From the arbitrator's decision an appeal may be made to a neutral

Jury of Honour and again to a permanent Court of Honour.

The members of the Jury and Court are always gentlemen of high civil or military rank, of obvious integrity and of known impartiality. From the findings of these tribunals it is decided (1) if the parties are, as gentlemen, fit to be allowed to fight; (2) if the quarrel is serious enough; (3) if it is of such a nature that a resort to arms is the only honourable solution; (4) if all procedure has been perfectly regular; and (5) if the arms chosen are consistent with the seriousness of the case.

It is the offended party and not the challenged who has the right to select arms; and no other arms (than the spada rapiera, the sabre, and the pistol are allowed. Any person merely accepting, far less issuing, a challenge to fight with weapons other than these would be pronounced outside the Cavalier Code—and consequently a social outcast.

On the Terrain.

In the event of the duel taking place, it is decided what kind of gloves the duellists will wear, whether the wrist may be bound, if spectacles may be worn, the number and duration of intervals, and it is also notified if any of the principals fight left-handed.

The two friends of each duellist, who were representative to negotiate for the settlement of the quarrel, become testimony when the case is sub judice and then padriani when on the actual terrain—or as we would call them all through, seconds.

The four padriani, a doctor, and the principals proceed more or less clandestinely to the chosen battlefield. One of the padriani, or another expert in fencing, is appointed direttore (umpire) of the combat.

The conditions of the fight are read over to all parties, the arms, gloves, and so forth examined and the verbale (the written record of the case) checked.

Duels of "first blood" are discouraged as tending to reduce the seriousness of resort to arms, for in these instances contests end when one of the duellists is placed by a wound in a position of physical and moral inferiority to the other. After each wound the fencing is stopped so that the doctor may determine if a man is too handicapped by it to continue.

It is this tradition which makes Italians look on boxing as a brutal and not a cavalier sport. To weaken a man and then pursue an advantage against him when he is partly disabled by a blow is anathema to the followers of the duelling code and would lead to the duel being stopped and the aggressor denounced as a mascalzone (scoundrel).

The two fighters, divested of jackets and waistcoats, wearing belts, and with the shirt of the fighting arm cut off, on the order of the umpire take measures, and on his "a lora" (to you) the fight begins.

After the duel is over another effort is made for reconciliation. If this is refused, then the duellists part company and simply do not see each other when they meet again. If, however, they shake hands, the whole party has a joyous evening at some big restaurant; but if one is badly injured then his adversary's seconds call at his house and ask after his condition every day until he is convalescent.

Meanwhile a complete account of the duel is written out and lodged with the permanent Tribunal of Honour, and if one of the combatants is killed, then the padriani lodge their account and the verbale (which would now include a description in detail of the fight) with the King's Prosecutor.

America exported 2,200,000,000 eggs in 1930?

Sunday newspapers are prohibited by law in Melbourne, Australia?

ROUND THE LOCAL CINEMAS.

Reviews from Official Sources.

"YOUNG EAGLES."

If you can imagine that never-to-be forgotten epic of war aviation, "Wings," with its zooming planes, its thrilling air-fights, its awe-inspiring grandeur, good idea of the great entertainment that awaits you at the Central Theatre to-day till Saturday. The "Young Eagles," with Charles (Buddy) Rogers in the starring role, is enjoying a rousing welcome.

Buddy was never better, even in "Wings," than he is in this entertainment. He's a dashing young officer of aviation who fights and loves, is convincingly duped and greatly rewarded in fast-moving and spectacular fashion. The picture moves from the battle fronts of the skies to the easy life behind the lines, from the danger and suspense of war to the gaiety and glamour of glittering Paris.

The girl is Jean Arthur, the daring little charmer of "Half Way to Heaven." Paul Lukas has a handsome role and handles it handsomely. And, for laughs, there's Stuart Erwin who lifted the roof as the dumb "Axel" in "Sweetie," "Honey" and many other comedies.

"REACHING FOR THE MOON."

A few weeks ago just an obscure radio voice.

To-day a potential screen star, playing one of the leading roles in a Douglas Fairbanks picture and hailed as one of the year's finds in films.

That is the meteoric career to date of June MacCloy, New York girl, who makes her cinema debut in "Reaching for the Moon," with Bobe Daniels in the chief feminine role, which Edmund Goulding directed for United Artists. It is now showing at the Queen's Theatre.

Miss MacCloy was singing over the radio when George White heard her voice, arranged for an interview and gave her a part in the "Scandals."

"SPEEDWAY."

From dulcet melody to the roar of motors and the squeal of super-charges is the gamut of Harry Beaumont.

After his musical success, "The Broadway Melody," he went to Indianapolis to direct William Haines in "Speedway." Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's thrilling auto race story now playing at the Star Theatre, as a sound synchronised production. It was filmed during the great races with Haines as a driver. Anita Page is the heroine and Ernest Torrence, John Miljan, Karl Dane and others of note appear in the cast. Sensational race scenes and thrills are gripping details of a love romance on wheels.

"ONE ROMANTIC NIGHT."

Lillian Gish, though she is seen for the first time as a modern young woman in "One Romantic Night" United Artists' all-dialogue screen adaptation of the Ferenc Molnar play coming to the Queen's Theatre on Sunday, still retains the link that will always associate her with the roles that characterised her part—her long blond hair.

Miss Gish portrays the role of "Alexandra," a modern girl of position and wealth who is forced to weigh the motives and the kisses of two men who profess to love her.

In this characterisation at the Queen's Theatre, she abandons for the first time the vital roles she made traditional when she starred under the personal direction of D. W. Griffith.

In "One Romantic Night" she is supported by an all-star cast composed of Rod La Rocque, Conrad Nagel, Marie Dressler, O. P. Heggie, Edgar Norton, Albert Conti, Russ Powell, Sam Blum, Billie Bennett, Phillippe de Lacy and Byron Sage.

Paul L. Stein directed the picture.

SHANGHAI POLICE OFFICER SHOT.

Police Raid on Kidnappers.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

Sub-Inspector J. A. McFarlane, whose home address is No. 20, Glenageary Road, Dundee, was seriously wounded this morning, when he led a police raid on a house in which kidnappers were holding a wealthy Chinese merchant for ransom.

Two of the kidnappers were badly wounded and taken into custody and sent to hospital.

Sub-Inspector McFarlane had a bullet in the abdomen, and was taken to hospital and the bullet extracted. He is progressing satisfactorily.—Reuter.

A WEEK'S DISEASES.

Another Imported Case of Typhoid Fever.

51 TUBERCULOSIS DEATHS.

The official return of diseases and deaths during the week ended October 10 is as follows:—

	Cases	Deaths
Typhoid fever	2	1
Diphtheria	3	3
Cerebro-spinal fever .	2	1
Tuberculosis	—	51

One case of typhoid fever was imported.

Summary to October 10.

The returns from January 1 to October 10 give the following figures:—

	Cases	Deaths
Typhoid fever	165	47
Small-pox	14	9
Scarlet fever	3	—
Diphtheria	96	33
Cerebro-spinal fever	18	9
Puerperal fever	14	9
Paratyphoid fever	1	—
Tuberculosis	2,177	—

Twenty of the typhoid cases were non-Chinese, as were three scarlet fever cases, one small-pox case, one cerebro-spinal fever case, and 28 diphtheria cases.

WHOLESALE PRICES IN HONG KONG

EFFECT OF DEPRECIATED DOLLAR.

As measured at the Statistical Branch of the Imports and Exports Department wholesale prices in Hong Kong during the first seven months of 1931 showed, on balance, a general average index figure slightly more than double the United Kingdom index figure, as measured at the Board of Trade, for the same period, the respective figures for all articles being: United Kingdom 62.1; Hong Kong 128.5.

Since January of this year the Statistical Office has constructed an index on the basis of 1922=100.

and the index figures have been reconverted for the purpose of comparison with the Board of Trade index which is based on 1924=100.

The selection of 1922 as the Hong Kong base year was prompted by the fact that 1922 most nearly approached a normal year of any since the war.

The decline in sterling wholesale prices has persistently continued since the latter end of 1929, the local increases being almost entirely due to the depreciated value of Hong Kong currency.

Details are given in the following tables:—

1924=100.		Board of Trade Index.						
Groups.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	
Cereals	84.5	80.1	75.3	76.0	75.4	74.6	74.7	
Meat and Fish	68.4	69.4	72.7	73.8	74.2	76.0	71.0	
Other Foods	68.1	67.2	66.8	67.7	68.1	68.1	65.8	
Total Food	75.9	75.4	75.1	74.8	73.8	72.7	72.1	
Iron and Steel	70.9	70.3	70.0	70.2	69.2	68.9	68.8	
Coal	67.7	66.0	64.0	61.9	61.2	62.2	62.2	
Other Metals and Minerals	68.5	67.7	65.0	64.6	63.3	61.9	62.8	
Cotton	44.0	45.5	45.9	44.6	43.3	41.9	42.8	
Wool	45.3	45.2	45.5	45.2	47.0	44.2	43.8	
Other Textiles	59.4	59.4	59.3	59.3	59.3	59.3	59.3	
Miscellaneous	71.0	69.3	69.1	68.3	67.2	66.8	67.5	
Total Not Food	62.4	62.1	62.1	61.5	60.1	59.1	59.2	
All Articles	64.3	63.9	63.7	63.6	62.8	62.1	61.5	

Hong Kong Index.		Board of Trade Index.						
Groups.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	
Cereals	123.9	127.2	122.7	118.2	111.2	103.4	104.5	
Meat and Fish	153.2	158.2	174.8	141.3	154.0	173.7	167.5	
Other Foods	125.1	126.3	123.3	130.3	138.9	137.0	127.7	
Total Food	132.5	133.1	140.6	131.9	139.8	144.7	135.9	
Iron and Steel	130.2	130.4	134.3	145.5	143.7	145.4	144.9	
Coal	116.3	127.3	127.3	143.3	138.5	138.4	135.9	
Other Metals and Minerals	132.5	136.0	144.5	132.1	133.7	145.5	139.1	
Cotton	91.0	101.5	98.8	103.8	99.6	94.2	92.2	
Wool	220.4	250.6	274.8	215.9	212.8	217.3	201.7	
Other Textiles	60.1	111.4	95.0	103.0	103.5	91.4	90.5	
Miscellaneous	120.6	118.1	125.3	121.9	110.0	118.8	112.3	
Total Not Food	123.1	131.1	134.3	130.5	129.2	127.2	122.2	
All Articles	125.1	131.9	136.2	130.9	131.9	131.6	125.6	

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ADVERTISED IN CHINA MAIL.

Social Functions.

To-night—Tea Dances at King's Restaurant and Lane Crawford's; Dinner Dances at Peninsula and Repulse Bay Hotels.

Entertainments.

To-day—King's Theatre: Special films in aid of Yangtze Flood Relief Fund.
To-day—Queen's Theatre: "Reaching for the Moon."
To-day—Central Theatre: "Young Eagles."
To-day—Majestic Theatre: "A Man From Wyoming."
To-day—Star Theatre: "Speedway."

November 14—Theatre Royal: opening performance of Hong Kong A.D.C.'s production of "Dear Brutus."

Home Malls.

To-morrow—Inward from Europe via Suez (Kashgar); via Siberia (Empress of Russia).

Lammerts' Auction.

To-morrow—At Sales Room, Continental cotton trousseings, garments, ladies' dresses and hats, etc., 11 a.m.

Miscellaneous.

To-morrow—Reception at Club Lusitano in honour of H.E. the Governor of Macao, 5.15 p.m.

ELECTION FUNDS.

Labour Paper's Allegation Refuted.

Rugby, Yesterday.

The Prime Minister and Lord Stonehaven, Chairman of the Conservative Party, to-day both denied the allegation contained in a Labour morning paper that the National Government was receiving financial assistance from the Conservative Party's funds. The Premier said the money available to the National Labour Party came from well-to-do supporters of the Labour movement and his own personal friends.

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Ficharrin, from London.
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S. LACK, Manager.
Hong Kong, October 8, 1931.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

SWIMMING SPORTS.

THE ANNUAL SWIMMING SPORTS of The Boy Scouts Association will be held in V.R.C. Bath at 3 p.m. on SATURDAY next, October 17. The heats will be swum off at 4.30 p.m. on Thursday, October 15.

All friends are warmly invited to attend.

CLUB LUSITANO.

CONVITE.

A DIRECAO do Club Lusitano tem a honra de convidar os Excmos. Srs. Socio do Club de Recreio, da Associaçao Portuguesa de Socorros Muiuos, da Liga Portuguesa e do Club Lusitano e suas Exmas. Famílias e os demais Membros da Comunidade Portuguesa para se reunirem na sala "Luiz de Camões" do Club Lusitano na Quinta-feira, 15 do corrente, as 5.15 horas de tarde, a fim de assistirem a Recepcão em honra de Sua Excelencia o Governador de Macau, Senhor Joaquim Anselmo da Mata e Oliveira.

Haverá em seguida Cha e dança. A fim de que esta Recepcão seja revestida do maior brilho possível a Direccão pede a comparecência de todos os Socio e suas Exmas. Famílias e os demais Membros da Comunidade Portuguesa.

A. E. S. ALVES,
Secretario.

Hong Kong, 13 de Outubro de 1931.

NOTICE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Hong Kong Cricket Club will be held in the Pavilion at 5.30 p.m. on MONDAY, 26th October, 1931, and NOTICE is hereby given that on MONDAY, 26th October, 1931, immediately after the Annual General Meeting, a drawing for the redemption of thirty debentures will be made. The number of the debentures drawn will be published in the Hong Kong Government Gazette and the Local Newspapers, and holders of drawn debentures may upon giving notice to the Treasurer, Messrs. Percy Smith, Selth and Fleming for the payment of principal and interest up to the 31st October, 1931.

By Order of the Committee,
E. J. R. MITCHELL,
Hon. Secretary.
Hong Kong, 14th October, 1931.

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Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver, B.C., Sept. 26 and Europe via Siberia (London, Sept. 26) Empress of Russia
Australia and Manila Kitano Maru
Europe via Negapatam (Letters only, London, Sept. 17 and Parcels, Sept. 10) Kashgar

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16.

Calcutta and Straits Kum Sang
Europe via Negapatam (Papers only, London, Sept. 17) Patroclus
Straits Hakone Maru
Japan and Shanghai Haruna Maru
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, Sept. 19) Taiyo Maru

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17.

Manila President Madison
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, September 18) Pres. Van Buren

OUTWARD MAILS.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14.

Samshui and Wuchow Fook On 4 p.m.
Formosa Neleus 5 p.m.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15.

Japan, Honolulu, *San Francisco and *South American Ports Rikuyo Maru 10.30 a.m. (Due San Francisco, Nov. 17.)
Straits and Calcutta Ho Sang Oct. 15, Noon.
Letters 1 p.m.
Saigon and Mauritius Cape St. Francis 1.30 p.m.
Swatow Hydrangea 3 p.m.
Amoy Tainan 3.30 p.m.
Samshui and Wuchow Kong Ning 4 p.m.
Foonchow via Swatow Cheong Shing 5 p.m.
Manila Empress of Russia 5 p.m.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16.

Foonchow via Swatow Kueichow 8.30 a.m.
Hohow and Bangkok Bin Tang 8.30 a.m.
Japan Kitano Maru 9.30 a.m.
Swatow; Amoy and Foonchow Hai Ning 2 p.m.
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Registration Oct. 16, 4.30 p.m.
Letters 4.30 p.m.
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17.
Hohow, Pakhoi and Haiphong Menado Maru 8.30 a.m.
Sandakan Mau Sang 10.30 a.m.
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On demand 82 3/4

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On demand 52 1/4

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On demand 47 1/2

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On Yokohama—
On demand 48 1/2

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Amsterdam 9 1/2
Milan 75 1/2
Berlin 17
Stockholm 16 1/2
Copenhagen 17 1/2
Oslo 17 1/2
Vienna 30
Prague 130 1/2
Helsingfors 101 1/2
Madrid 43 1/4
Rio 3 1/4
Lisbon 100 3/4
Athens 300
Buenos Aires 31
Montevideo 21
Bucharest 645
Yokohama 2/6 1/2

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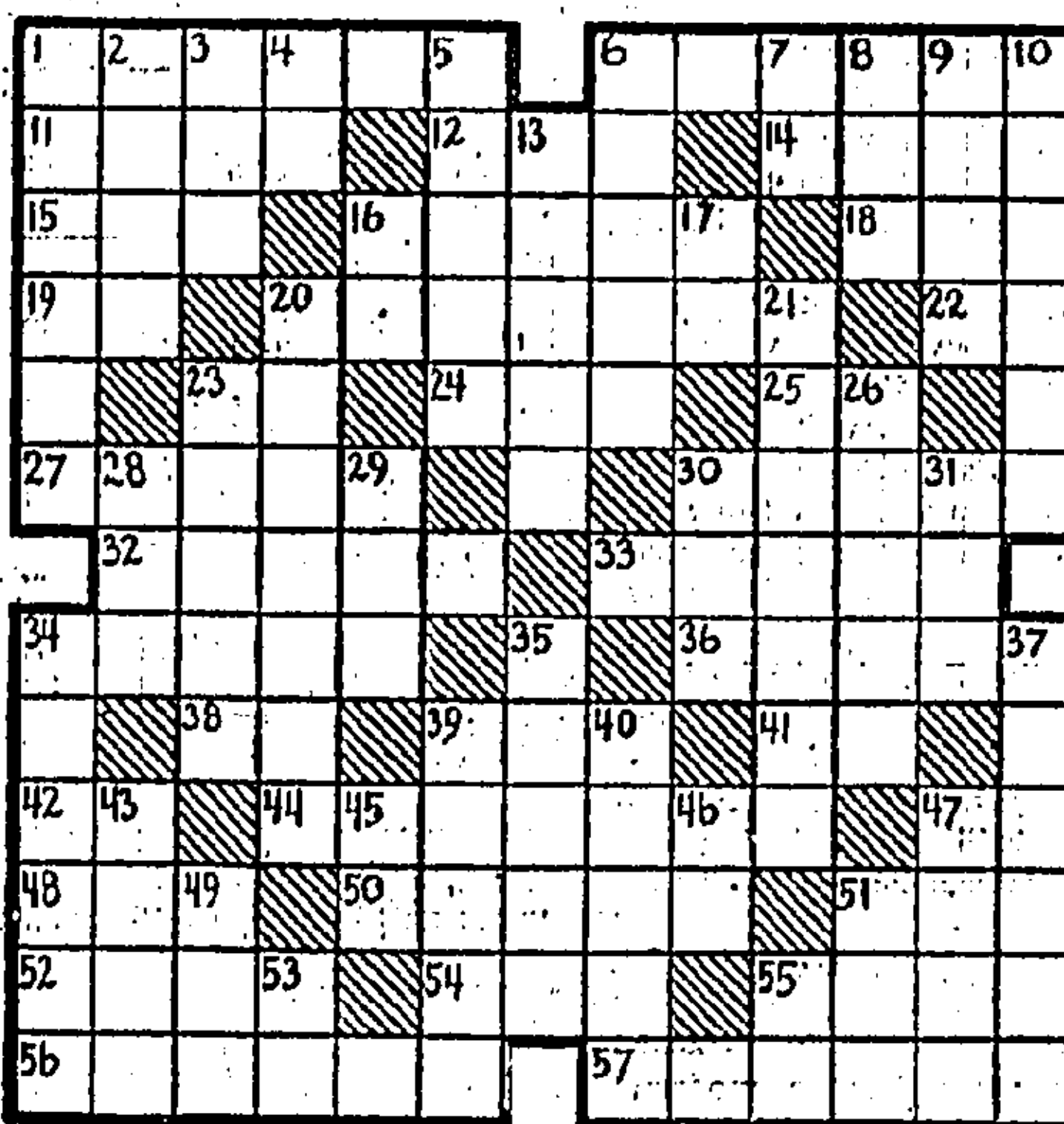
HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Opening Daily Official Quotations 14th Oct., 1931.
Next Settlement Day, Tuesday, 27th October, 1931.

STOCK	Day's Sale	Buyers	Sellers	Non	Fin. Year	Last dividend and when paid
Banks.						
Hong Kong Bank	1000	Dec.	Interim at 10/4-8	Aug. 10, 31		
Chartered Bank	11	Dec.	Int. 7 1/2 Sub. to 1/1000	Sep. 31, 31		
Merchants Bk., A.B.	18	Dec.	Int. 7 1/2 Sub. to 1/1000	Sep. 31, 31		
Bank of Asia	134	Dec.	48 for 1930	Feb. 20, 31		
Insurance.						
Canon Ins.	1600	Dec.	[Int. 5 1/2 Sub. to 1/1000] = 50	May 12, 31		
Union Ins.	440	Dec.	[Int. 5 1/2 Sub. to 1/1000] = 41	May 22, 31		
China Underwriters	54	Dec.	None			
Chia Fire Ins.	800	Dec.	[Int. 5 1/2 Sub. to 1/1000] = 82	May 22, 31		
H. K. Fire Ins.	1450	Dec.	[Int. 5 1/2 Sub. to 1/1000] = 82	May 22, 31		
Shipping.						
Douglases	36	Dec.	Last dividend for 1931			
H. K. Steamboat	20	Dec.	\$15.00 for 1931 None for 1930	Mar. 4, 30		
Iodo-China (Prel.)	35	Dec.	[Int. 5 1/2 Sub. to 1/1000] = 41	June 10, 30		
(Def.)	17	Dec.	Last dividend for 1931			
Shells Bearer	4144	Dec.	[Int. 5 1/2 Sub. to 1/1000] = 82	July 6, 31		
Union Waterboats	23	Dec.	\$15.00 for 1931	Mar. 31, 31		
Mining.						
Benguen	12	Dec.	Third Int. Dividend for 1931	Sept. 30, 31		
Kailan Mining Ad. s/	30	Dec.	[Int. 5 1/2 Sub. to 1/1000] = 82	Dec. 20, 30		
Langkat (Single) Tls.	4.05	Col.	[Int. 5 1/2 Sub. to 1/1000] = 82	May 8, 30		
S'hai Exploration Tls.	2	Dec.	None			
Loans	44	Dec.	[Int. 5 1/2 Sub. to 1/1000] = 82	Oct. 3, 31		
Rauhs	251	Mar.	[Int. 5 1/2 Sub. to 1/1000] = 82	Feb. 6, 31		
Venezuela Gold Fields	21	Mar.	Int. 5 1/2 Sub. to 1/1000	Sept. 23, 31		
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.						
H. K. & W. Wharves	100	Dec.	80 for 1931	Mar. 12, 31		
H. K. & W. Docks	30	Dec.	Last dividend for 1931			
South Ch. Motors (A)	10	Dec.				
China Provident (old)	5.40	Dec.				
(new)	4.00	Dec.				
Hongkong	208	Dec.	Int. 5 1/2 Sub. to 1/1000	April 8, 31		
N. Engineering Tls.	6.50	Dec.	T. 0.25 for 1930	Oct. 3, 31		
Shanghai Docks Tls.	103	Apr.	T. 0.25 for 1931	Mar. 4, 31		
Land, Hotels & Buildings.						
H. K. & S. Hs. (old)	14.40	Dec.	80 cents for 1931	Apr. 10, 31		
(new)	13.30	Dec.				
H. K. Lands	81	Dec.	Int. 5 1/2 Sub. to 1/1000	Aug. 12, 31		
Shanghai Lands Tls.	99	Dec.	Int. 5 1/2 Sub. to 1/1000	July 30, 31		
Humphreys (old)	181	Dec.	80 cents for 1931	Feb. 24, 31		
(new)	181	Dec.				
H. K. Real Estate	18.00	Dec.	Int. 5 1/2 Sub. to 1/1000	Sept. 1, 31		
Chinese Estates	94	Feb.	80 for year 1931	July 28, 31		
Cotton Mills.						
Ewo Cotton Tls.	16	Dec.	T. 0.75 for 1931	Mar. 12, 31		
Shanghai Cotton Tls.	30	Dec.	T. 0.25 for half year 1931	May 27, 31		
Zoong Sigs	18	June	T. 0.25 for year 1931	Oct. 8, 31		
Public Utilities.						
H. K. Tramways	201	Dec.	Int. 5 1/2 Sub. to 1/1000	Aug. 26, 31		
Pak Tram (old)	141	Apr.	80 cts. on old for year 1931	June 18, 31		
(new)	6.55	Apr.				
Star Ferris	32	Dec.	81 for 1931	Feb. 10, 31		
Yau-mat Ferris	26	Dec.	81 for 1931	June 28, 31		
China Light	37.80	Sept.	Final div. 1931	Dec. 15, 30		
H. K. Electric	77 1/2	Dec.	Int. 5 1/2 Sub. to 1/1000	Mar. 16, 31		
Macao	33	Dec.				
Sandakan Lights	42	June	None			
H. K. Tel. & Cable	33	Dec.	Int. 5 1/2 Sub. to 1/1000	Aug. 4, 31		
China Buses	17.50	Dec.	T. 0.25 for 1931	Feb. 26, 30		
S'pore Traction (Ord. s/)	41	Sept.	1 1/2 on preference shares	Feb. 6, 31		
(Prel. s/)	10 1/2	Sept.				
Industrials.						
China Sugars	50.10	Dec.	In Liquidation			
Malayan Sugars	39	Dec.	P. 4.50 for 1931	Mar. 4, 31		
Cald. Macg. Ord. Tls.	14	Dec.	[T. 0.25] for 1930	Mar. 27, 31		
Pref. Tls.	10	Dec.				
Canton Ice	7.70	July	20 cents for year 1931	Oct. 9, 31		
Cement (com.)	19	Dec.	20 cents on old for 1931	Mar. 16, 31		
(old)	19	Dec.				
(new)	6	Dec.				
H. K. Ropes	17 1/2	Dec.	75 cents for 1931	Mar. 27, 31		
Stores, &c.						
Dairy Farms	20	Dec.	\$1.50 for 1931	Mar. 16, 31		
Watsons	153	Oct.	75 cents for year 1931	Mar. 16, 31		
Der A Wings	1	Dec.				
Lanc Crawfords (old)	6.40	Feb.	Last dividend for year 1931			
(new)	61	Feb.				
Mackintosh	10	Feb.	82 for year 1931	Apr. 30, 31		
Slacres	19 1/2	Dec.				
Wm. Powells	8.60	Feb.	20 cents for year 1931	June 17, 31		
Miscellaneous.						
H. K. Amusement	24 1/2	Mar.	\$2.50 for year 1931	Sept. 30, 31		
C. Entertainment (old)	15	Dec.				
(new)	15	Dec.				
Sou. Ch. Enterprises	11	Dec.				
H. K. C. Insurance (old)	5	Dec.	30 cents for 1931	Apr. 24, 31		
(new)	1.10	Dec.				
B. Ind. C. Bonds	67 1/2	Dec.				
H. K. Govt. Bonds	54 1/2	Dec.	Int. 5 1/2 Sub. to 1/1000			

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and alto.)



HORIZONTAL

1—Recompense
6—Crowd
11—Greek god of love
12—Fish eggs
14—Any open space
15—Blind
16—Type of architecture
18—Sailor (Colloq.)
19—Ahead
20—A tramp
22—Royal Navy (abbr.)
23—Very
24—A foot-like organ
25—Done (Latin)
27—Implied by silence
30—Whim
32—A flower (pl.)
33—Feminine name
34—Fried quickly with little grease (Fr.)
36—A strip of leather
37—On which to sharpen a razor
38—Topographical engineers (abbr.)
39—Streets (abbr.)
41—And (Latin)

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

42—A middle Atlantic (abbr.)
44—Cove
47—Exists
48—Anger
50—Scarce
51—Agout (abbr.)
52—Egyptian river
54—Feminine
55—English musician
56—Clearing in a wood (pl.)
57—One of the sea nymphs (Gr. Myth.)

VERTICAL

10—Gather
13—To regulate
16—Act
17—Cute (abbr.)
20—Rained
21—Climbed
23—Spy
26—Bright
28—Constipation
29—Self term
30—Prepious
31—Intersection
34—Keeping
35—Gaze fixedly
37—Mailed
38—Breaks suddenly
40—Series
43—Accessory seed covering
45—Conjunction
46—Comparative ending
47—Combining form
48—Fire
49—Highest note of Guido's scale
51—Metric land measure
53—Arab (abbr.)
55—Arab (abbr.)

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in tomorrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

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	Oct. 11	Oct. 12
West River at Shuiling	5.1	5.8
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East River at Shuiling	2.3	2.3

The highest levels recorded are: Shuiling, 41 feet; Tsingyuen, 29.2 feet; Samshui, 27.3 feet; Shuiling, 15.5 feet.

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SHIPPING MERGER.

12 Companies with 181 Vessels.

New York, October 8. The Herald Tribune says that steps to merge twelve American and foreign shipping companies owning or controlling 181 passenger and cargo vessels with a total of 1,500,000 gross tons was taken at a meeting in San Francisco to-day.

The newspaper says that the meeting was attended by Herbert F. Leitch, the banker, Robert Dollar, Stanley Dollar, Kermit Roosevelt and John M. Franklin. They considered the consolidation of the shipping properties of Roosevelt International Mercantile Marine, Dollar and the Chapman-Dawson interests.

The paper says that the merger, if concluded, will be the largest in the history of American shipping and will bring under one head companies operating from Atlantic and Pacific ports from the United States to Europe, the Orient and around the world, and also companies operating in the intercoastal trade.

It is expected that the Roosevelt and the Dollar interests will take the lead in the contemplated merger. The total value of the ships, terminals, offices and other properties of the lines concerned runs into many millions of dollars.—Associated Press.

ARRIVALS OF SHIPS.

Kanan Maru, Japanese str., 1,877 tons, Captain Sugimoto, from Canton, buoy No. B25.—D.K.K. Sipiok, Dutch str., 1,002 tons, Capt. J. Vanema, from Samarinda, Yaumati.—J.C.J.L.	Monday, October 12.
Tsainan, British str., 2,100 tons, Capt. W. Shaw, from Amoy, buoy No. B20.—B. & S.	
Kueichow, British str., 1,220 tons, Capt. D. Williams, from Weihai-wei, buoy No. C2.—B. & S.	Tuesday, October 13.
Canton, French str., 976 tons, Capt. F. L. Morvan, from Haiphong, buoy No. C1.—M. M. & Co.	
Chengtu, British str., 1,338 tons, Capt. W. L. Thomas, from Canton, buoy No. B16.—B. & S.	
Chenonceaux, French str., 8,389 tons, Capt. G. Pruneyre, from Shanghai, Kowloon Wharf.—M. M. & Co.	
Cremer, Dutch str., 2,784 tons, Capt. Harmsen, from Singapore, buoy No. A5.—J.C.J.L.	
Golden Wall, American str., 3,729 tons, Capt. E. J. Anderson, from Lamit Bay, buoy No. A3.—States & Co.	
Hai Hing, Norwegian str., 1,445 tons, Capt. O. S. Olsen, from Hoihow, buoy No. B17.—Thoresen & Co.	
Hydrangea, British str., 561 tons, Capt. P. W. Grierson, from Swatow, Chiu On Wharf.—Chiu On S.S. Co.	
Kaiapoi, British str., 1,245 tons, Capt. J. Baldwin, from Samarinda, Kowloon Dock.—Williamson & Co.	
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Capt. D. E. Evans, from Shanghai, buoy No. A6.—B. & S.
Sunning, British str., 1,570 tons, Captain R. H. Fairley, from Swatow, buoy No. B14.—B. & S.

Tango Maru, Japanese str., 4,238 tons, Capt. M. Uchino, from Shanghai, Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.

Tinhow, British str., 3,164 tons, Capt. A. Scobie, from Mauritius, buoy No. A11.—Bank Line.

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following British warships were in harbour to-day:—

Berwick—North arm.
Tamar—Basin.
Tarantula—South wall.
Perseus—East wall.
Olympus—East wall.
Osiris—East wall.
Odin—East wall.
Berwick—North wall.
Bridgewater—North wall.
Pandora—West wall.
Parthian—West wall.

Phoenix—West wall.
Otus—West wall.
Oswald—West wall.
Orpheus—West wall.
Proteus—West wall.
Medway—In dock.
Sterling—Kowloon wharf.
Magnolia—No. 3 buoy.
Sandwich—No. 7 buoy.
Cornflower—No. 8 buoy.
Somme—No. 10 buoy.
Sepoy—No. 11 buoy.
Sirdar—No. 11 buoy.
Seraph—No. 12 buoy.
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Foreign Men-of-War.
Argus—French gunboat.
Macau—Portuguese gunboat.
Craonne—French gunboat.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

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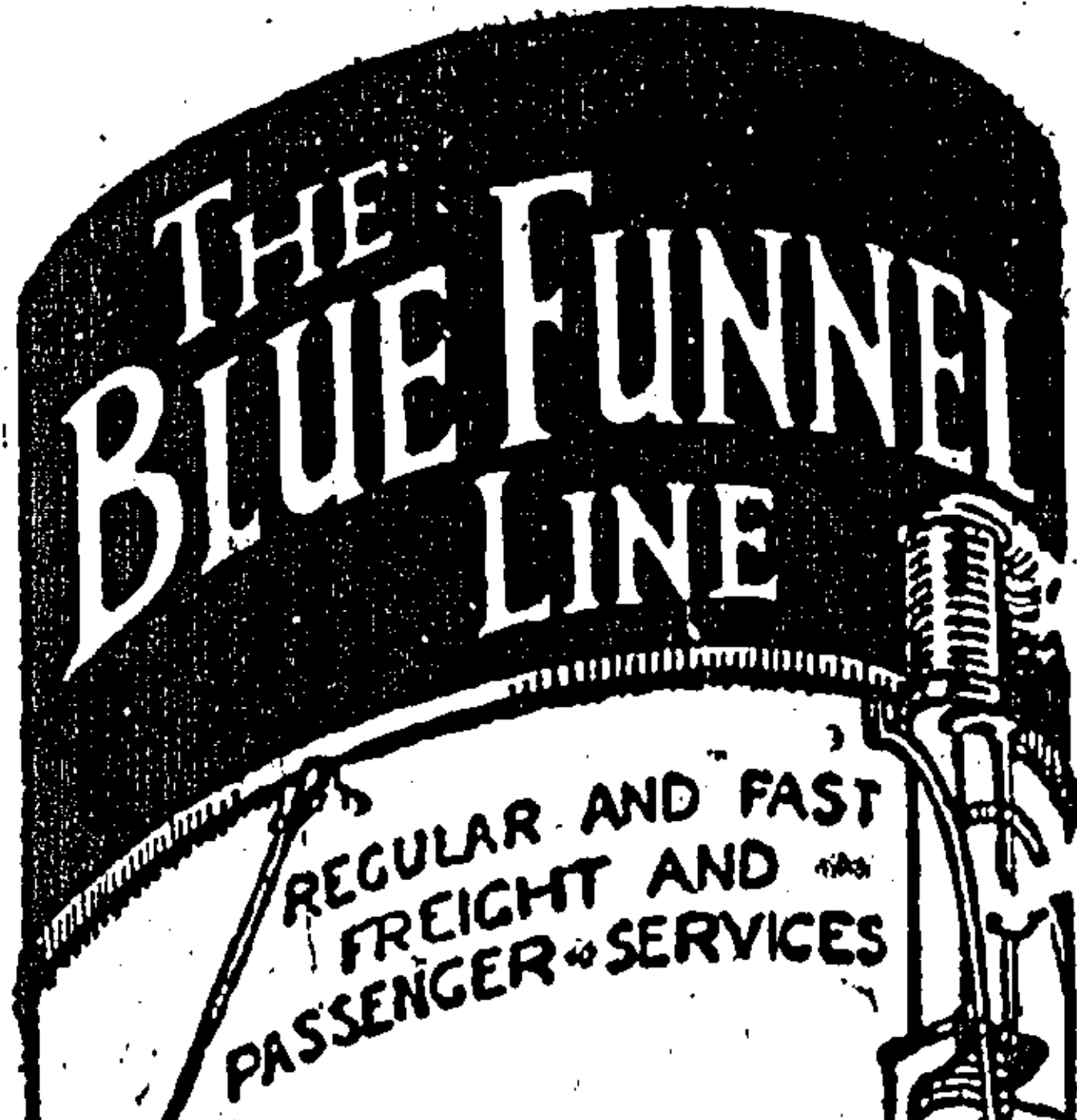
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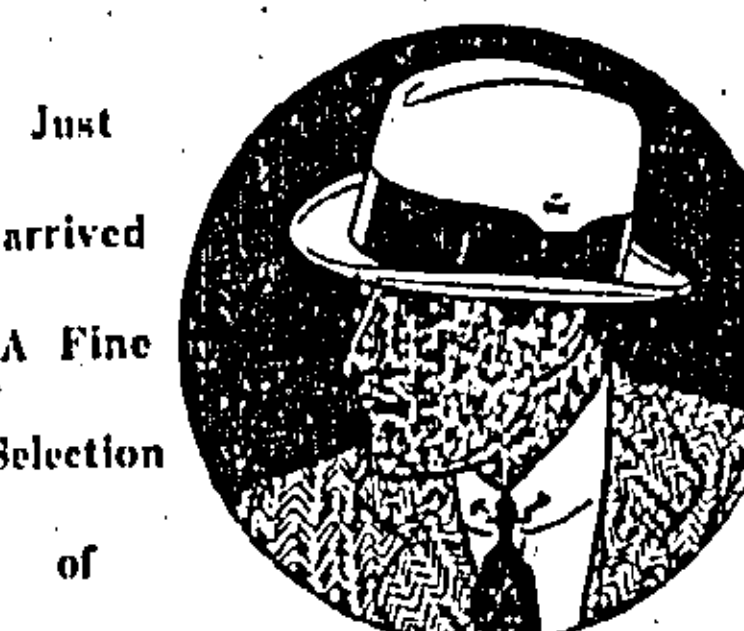


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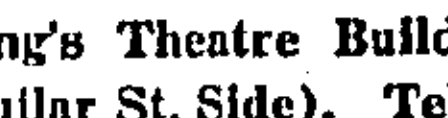


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more popular. Their appearance
last night at the Kit-Cat, where
they will play for a season, was an
overwhelming success.

As an orchestra pure and simple
Alfred Rode's Tziganes are
superb. They play gay tunes
with a swing, a rhythm, a
fiery perfection that makes the
blood tingle. They play senti-
mental ones with a skill which
makes evident the fact that each
member of the band has dedicated
half a lifetime to the mastery of
his instrument.

It has, for example, taken the tall
Roumanian gipsy who plays the Pan
pipes 20 years to achieve the sweet,
sure notes which delighted the Kit-
Cat patrons last night.

Showmanship.

But if you gather from the fore-
going that Alfred Rode and his
Tziganes are purely and simply an
orchestra, you haven't as the talkie
characters say, heard the half of
it.

Style and showmanship combine
with musical skill to make this
band's performance a complete en-
tertainment in itself.

Their gipsy clothes please the
eye. Rode himself, handsome as
any film hero, conducts them with
for baton, the bow of his own violin,
on which at appropriate moments
he plays a dramatic bar or two.
Now and then the bandmen add
their voices to the strumming of
the guitars, the tinkle of the cym-
balum, the throb of the violins and
cellos.

The band is at its splendid best. I
would say, in the "Blue Danube
Waltz," introduced by a few
rhetorical notes from the leader's
fiddle, London is never likely to
hear a finer performance of this
stirring music.

Alfred Rode and his Tziganes
are, in fact, one of the most strik-
ing cabaret attractions the West
End has known.

French, Belgian, Hungarian, Rus-
sian and Roumanian gipsies are
among them, but they play together
with an enthusiasm and a fresh-
ness which should make Rode and
his showmen-Tziganes a draw at
the Kit-Cat for a long time.—
Evening Standard.

THEATRE NOTES.

[By Philip Page in Evening Standard.]

London, Sept. 8.

"I am going abroad for a for-
night," C. B. Cochran, now con-
valescent after his serious illness,
told me yesterday, "and my doctor
guarantees that if I do a mini-
mum of walking over that period I
shall be quite well at the end of it.
As to 'Cavalcade,' there is really
nothing very mysterious about it.
Noel Coward and I simply feel that
it is a mistake to give away in ad-
vance situations and effects which
might, perhaps, surprise the first-
night audience.

"I am much enjoying my pre-
parations for the Offenbach show.
He wrote some grand stuff and I am
pulling the 'song hits' from all of
them."

I believe it will be found that
there will be a good deal of "La
Belle Helene" in the "Robinson
Crusoe" adaptation on which A. P. Herbert is now
at work. A veteran corre-
spondent reminds me that Offen-
bach's "Robinson Crusoe" was
produced at the old Avenue Theatre
(now the Playhouse) in 1886, with
Arthur Roberts in the cast.

Lord Love-a-Duck.

J. C. Squire is now the author of
a musical comedy which has been
accepted for production in London.
Its title is "Lord Love-a-Duck," and
the music is by Dennis Arundell,
who was in the cast of "Tantivy
Towers," and has superintended
sundry amateur productions at
Cambridge.

Realism on the Stage.

There is no revolving stage at
the Haymarket, nor is there likely
to be one. But the scene on board
a liner in the Red Sea, which is to
be a feature of "Take Two
from One" (incidentally, the liner
catches fire), will be extremely
realistic. The fore part of the
deck is shown, with the saloon
windows, and a huge awning cover-
ing it; a whistle of gargantuan size is
to add to the realism.

One can only be realistic with
stage ships by showing a part of
them. Directly the whole ship is
seen, the thing, however well done,
becomes ludicrous. I remember
in one of the last dramas Arthur
Collins produced the hero and
heroine clung together on the
deck of a wrecked steam
yacht—a yacht which was correct
in every detail. Unfortunately
the hero and heroine, as they clung,
were about as tall as the funnel.

Too Many Ships.

Even Wagner, though he was
issuing impossible stage direc-
tions, had the sense to de-
mand only a portion of the ship in
the first act of "Tristan." When
he was a young man, and had not
learned sense in this respect, he
demanded more than one ship,
"swinging at anchor," in "The Fly-
ing Dutchman"—and the effect is
always ludicrous.

The cinema will undoubtedly
come to the rescue of the theatre
before long in the matter of ships
and a host of other things; indeed,
I am surprised that some such
alliance was not formed long ago.

More Chelsea Follies.

Archibald de Bear tells me that
he has prepared an entirely new
version of "Chelsea Follies," which
is to be produced in London in
November or December.

Henry the Ninth.

Mireille Perrey, the young
French actress who made a hit at
the Hippodrome in "Sons of Guns,"
is to be the leading lady in "Henry
the Ninth," the farce by Lauri
Wylic, with which the long-closed
Prince's Theatre will shortly open.
She will, of course, act in English,
in which she has, I hear, become
thoroughly proficient since her last
visit.

Frank Vosper, Leslie Perrin,
and A. Bromley Davenport have
now been added to the cast of
"Elizabeth of England," shortly
due at the Cambridge Theatre.

A Fine British Baritone.

It says much for the prospects of
the forthcoming season at Covent
Garden that there is in the com-
pany so fine a baritone as Mr.
Arthur Fear, who sang a long and
difficult scene from "The Flying
Dutchman" at the Queen's Hall,
London, on September 7.

About a couple of bars proved too
low for him, but the power and
quality of the voice are alike
superb.

This "Prom" programme was
full of Wagnerian titbits, including
the Bridal March from Lohengrin,
Siegfried's Journey, and the
Funeral March. There was an
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Rhodes.
Messrs P. Smith, H. Seeger.

Mrs. C. A. Watt, Mr. Geo. Wells.

"JIMMY" GLOVER.

Famous Conductor and
Bohemian Dead.

Mr. James M. ("Jimmy") Glover,
the famous conductor, died early on
September 8 in Hastings at the
hotel where he had occupied a flat
for some years. He was 70 years
of age.

Death was due to pneumonia,
which had developed rapidly. His
brother and sister were present at
the end.

"Jimmy" Glover was one of the
best-known Bohemian figures of his
generation, and for many years
was conductor of the Drury Lane
orchestra.

He has himself told that before
he was 21 he had spent two three-
year consecutive apprenticeships—
one as a choirboy by night, and
the other as a chemist's apprentice

by day.

After that he went to Paris to
study music and the violin. On
returning to London he chose the
stage as a career, and a short on-
gagement as pianist to a woman
necromancer and a troupe of
acrobats encouraged him to have
his cards printed as "Musical
director".

A Crowded Life.

Soon he became musical director
at the old Olympic, in Wyck Street,
where he produced a first piece
opera of his own, entitled, "Ten
Minutes for Refreshment."

It did not take him long to find
his feet in London. At the age
of 24 he became musical director
at the old Empire in Leicester
Square—the meeting place of the
"bloodes" of those days.

After several other appointments,
Drury Lane next, claimed him, and
he remained there for 35 years.

That occupied only part of his
time—and the rest was very full.
He composed music, wrote about it,
criticised it, arranged it; in fact,
gave himself to the perfection of
the music in the theatre. He was

also at various times on the staff
of several papers and periodicals,
and wrote books.

More than once "Jimmy" crossed
swords with Sir Thomas Beecham,
stoutly championing the cause of
brass bands.

He was the life and soul of a band
of Bohemians whose sayings and
doings were wittily portrayed in
his book, published in 1911, "Jimmy
Glover, His Book."

In another of his books, "Hims
Ancient and Modern," he advised
young men to avoid "middle-class
persons, women who bet, night
clubs and standing for Parliament."

Mr. Glover was Mayor of Bexhill
in 1906-7, and he had also been a
member of Hastings Town Council.
He first went to Bexhill about 80
years ago as musical director of the
Kursaal.

His second wife, Kathleen, daugh-
ter of Mrs. Gratz Collins, of Mont-
real, died two years ago.

Marjorie Gieson, the mother in
"Street Scene" on Broadway, has
been given a long-term contract by
Paramount.

HONG KONG MARKET PRODUCE.

APPROXIMATE RETAIL PRICES.

Oct. 7, June, June,				Oct. 7, June, June,			
1931. 1918. 1914.				1931. 1918. 1914.			
Cts. Cts. Cts.				Cts. Cts. Cts.			
Butcher Meat.				Poultry.			
Beef Sirloin	牛尾肥	lb.	33 24 12	Chicken	雞	lb.	58 30 31
" Prime Cut	牛尾	"	30 28 11	Capons, Small	雞	"	60 28 30
" Corned	咸肉	"	" 28 12	Capons, Large	雞	"	64 28 30
" Roast	肉	"	33 24 22	Duck	鴨	"	54 22 21
" Breast	牛	"	30 20 18	Doves	鴿	each	30 22 21
" Soup	牛	"	27 20 18	Eggs, Hen (cooking)	蛋	per doz.	33 18 "
" Steak	牛	"	38 24 22	Eggs, Hen (fresh)	蛋	"	48 25 20
" Steak Sirloin	牛	"	46 30 35	Fowls, Canton	雞	lb.	72 36 24
" Sausages	牛	"	36 26 20	Fowls, Hainan	雞	"	50 35 24
Bullock's Brains	牛	per set	17 10 12	Geese	鴨	"	56 24 24
" Tongue, fresh	牛	each	75 50 60	Pigeons, Canton	鴿	each	60 60 "
" Tongue, corned	牛	"	" 60 "	" Hothow	鴿	"	40 28 "
" Heart	牛	lb.	24 18 14	Turkeys, Cock	雞	lb.	80 "
" Hump, Salt	牛	"	" 20 18	Turkeys, Hen	雞	"	64 61 45
" Feet	牛	each	12 10 12	Snipe	鴨	each	30 "
" Kidneys	牛	"	15 10 12	Pheasant	雞	pair	" "
" Tail	牛	"	27 20 22	Quail	雞	each	" "
" Liver	牛	lb.	24 18 14	Partridges	雞	"	" "
" Tripe	牛	"	8 6 7				
Calves' Head & Feet	牛	set	\$1.50 \$1.00 \$1.00				
Mutton Chop	羊	lb.	44 26 "	Almonds	杏仁	lb.	80 35 "
" Leg	羊	"	44 26 "	Apples (California)	金山苹果	"	42 26 "
" Shoulder	羊	"	40 24 "	Bananas (birds)	蕉	"	8 4 "
" Saddle	羊	"	44 "	Carambola	楊桃	"	22 12 "
Pigs' Chiddings	猪	"	30 27 "	Coconuts	椰子	each	14 10 10
" Brains	猪	Per set	8 "	Lemons, China	檸檬	lb.	12 25 30
" Feet	猪	lb.	18 15 "	Lemons (American)	金山檸檬	each	18 "
" Fry	猪	"	30 15 18	Lichees, Dried	荔枝干	lb.	1.00 25 30
" Head	猪	"	20 20 "	Oranges (Canton)	新會甜橙	"	" "
" Heart	猪	each	18 10 10	Oranges	橙	"	" 15
" Kidneys	猪	lb.	15 10 8	Pears (Canton)	沙梨	"	28 "
" Liver	猪	lb.	48 30 24	Peanuts	花生	"	14 10 12
Pork Chop	猪	"	40 25 23	Persimmons, Large	紅柿	"	10 12 "
" Leg	猪	"	42 "	Plantain	大蕉	"	5 8 "
" Loin	猪	"	45 30 20	Pumpkin, Slam	通菜	each	18 12 6
" Fat or Lard	猪	"	26 21 "	Walnuts	胡桃	lb.	30 " 16
Sheep's Head & Feet	羊	per set	60 60 70	Grapes	葡萄	"	70 "
" Heart	羊	each	12 8 7				
" Kidneys	羊	"	15 12 10				
" Liver	羊	"	45 26 25				
Sucking Pigs, to order	猪	lb.	25 25 22				
Suet, Beef	牛	"	30 30 18				
" Mutton	羊	"	36 26 26				
Veal	牛	"	22 20 20				
" Sausages	牛	"	28 "				
	No. 1	"	32 "				
Fish.				Vegetables, &c.			
Barbel	魚	lb.	56 16 24	Artichokes	菜	each	14 " 2
Bream	魚	"	40 20 16	Beans, Sprout	菜	lb.	7 " 7
Canton Fresh Water	魚	"	40 " "	" Long	菜	"	18 " 8
Carp	魚	"	45 13 16	Beet Root	菜	"	16 " "
Catfish	魚	"	48 16 27	Bitter Squash	瓜	"	8 24 "
Codfish	魚	"	48 12 9	Brijula, Green	瓜	"	8 5 3
Crabs	魚	"	60 16 17	" Red	瓜	"	8 6 3
Cuttle Fish	魚	"	30 23 26	Cabbage, Chinese	菜	"	12 " "
Dab	魚	"	26 16 27	(Shanghai)	菜	"	" 12 "
Dace	魚	"	60 23 16	Cane Shoot, bunch	菜	"	8 " "
Dog Fish	魚	"	22 10 "	Canflower (Large)	菜	each	" " "
Eels, Conger	魚	"	62 10 8	(Medium)	菜	"	" " "
" Fresh Water	魚	"	66 16 "	(Small)	菜	"	6 6 6
" Yellow	魚	"	58 10 8	Carrots	菜	lb.	16 5 6
Frogs	魚	"	82 26 30	Celery, Chinese	菜	"	14 10 6
Garoupa	魚	"	1.00 32 25	Chillies, Dried	菜	"	18 25 5
Gudgeon	魚	"	20 40 30	" Red	菜	"	14 10 10
Herrings	魚	"	34 22 18	" Green	菜	"	6 8 12
Hallbut	魚	"	44 13 23	Curry Stuff, English	菜	"	16 8 "
Labrus	魚	"	48 18 15	Cucumbers	菜	"	8 2 "
Loach	魚	"	82 22 13	Garlic	菜	"	10 6 6
Lobsters	魚	"	64 62 24	Ginger, Young	菜	"	10 7 "
Mackerel	魚	"	60 20 20	" Old	菜	"	8 20 "
Monk Fish	魚	"	44 13 2	Horseradish, Shanghai	菜	"	50 8 4
Mullet	魚	"	46 12 2	Indian Corn	菜	"	" 45 "
Oysters	魚	"	35 14 9	Lettuce	菜	"	20 1 "
Parrot Fish	魚	"	32 30 15	Water Chestnuts	菜	"	10 " 8
Perch	魚	"	50 16 9	" Mandarin	菜	"	12 " 8
Pike	魚	"	56 30 29	Mushrooms, Fresh	菜	"	45 8 "
Plaice	魚	"	64 30 30	Okroos	菜	"	1 10 10
Pomfret, White	魚	"	44 30 45	Onions, Bombay	菜	"	10 8 8
Pomfret, Black	魚	"	52 10 14	" Green	菜	"	6 4 6
Prawns	魚	"	80 10 14	" Shanghai	菜	"	8 0 "
Ray	魚	"	30 13 18	Parley	菜	"	50 60 8
Rock Fish	魚	"	42 22 10	Potato, Sweet	菜	"	5 3 "
Roach	魚	"	60 30 30	" Japanese	菜	"	4 8 "
Salmon	魚	"	22 8 10	" American	菜	"	8 3 "
Shark	魚	"	22 10 10	Pumpkin	菜	"	5 4 4
Skate	魚	"	60 33 30	Radish	菜	"	" 10 "
Shrimps	魚	"	56 28 28	Rhubarb (Fresh)	菜	"	6 " 8
Snapper	魚	"	46 22 28	Shallots	菜	"	8 8 "
Soles	魚	"	42 23 85	Spinach	菜	"	30 4 "
Tench	魚	"	42 12 12	Tomatoes	菜	"	6 7 "
Turbot	魚	"	1.50 40 "	Taro	菜	"	12 6 "
Turbot, small fr. water	魚	"	1.50 40 "	Turnips, Punti (Long)	菜	"	8 4 "

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WHERE THE MONEY GOES.

\$108,138 Wanted for
Current Year.

KOWLOON MATERNITY BLOCK.

The Finance Committee of the Legislative Council will be asked to-morrow to sanction supplementary Votes totalling \$108,138 for the current year. Details are as under:

Public Works Department:—
Drawing Materials and Mounting
Plans, \$4,000.
Provision made in Estimates,
\$7,000.

The vote has become exhausted on account of the continued heavy demand for leases, the demands for plans etc. from other Departments, and the increased cost of materials in local currency.

Approximately 20 per cent. of the amount expended is recoverable from the sale of plans etc.

The expenditure for the year 1930 was \$11,686.

The additional sum now requested is urgently required to enable this service to be continued without delay.

Bonham Road.

Public Works Extraordinary:—
Various Resumptions etc. To meet cost of road widening works,
\$16,500.

Provision made in Estimates,
\$10,000.

The sum is required in connection with the widening of Bonham Road at a narrow and sharp corner between Centre and Western Streets.

Finance Committee approved the expenditure of \$11,000 for this work in 1924, but the work was never carried out. The owner of L.L. 609A, which abuts on the south side of the section of the road to be widened, is now anxious to re-develop his lot. This he cannot do until the road widening, which includes the re-erection of a retaining wall, has been completed. Government therefore feels itself committed to carrying out the approved scheme.

The main reason for the increase in the estimated cost of the work is that whereas in 1924 a dump for the surplus earth was available near by, it will now have to be transported to North Point.

Electric Lighting.

Public Works Recurrent:—Electric Lighting Kowloon, \$1,000.

Provision made in Estimates,
\$30,000.

To meet street lighting charges due to development. The extension of certain roads upon which new buildings have been completed has necessitated additional street lighting.

Colonial Secretary's Office and Legislature:—Hansard Reports, \$57.

Provision made in Estimates,
\$1,800.

The 1930 Hansard which is published and paid for in 1931 contained 282 pages as against an average of 206 for the previous three years.

The sum of \$57 now asked for is to meet the additional cost of printing the larger volume.

The above is to be met from savings under office equipment.

Medical Department:—Installation of standard power plugs for X-Ray work, \$1,100.

X-Ray Work.
Considerable difficulty has been experienced by the Radiologist in

using the new portable X-Ray and electrical apparatus without standard power plugs. It is essential that the installation should be carried out as soon as possible. As no provision was made in the current estimates for this expenditure a supplementary vote for one thousand one hundred dollars is now required.

The above is to be met from savings under Maintenance of Lunatics at Canton.

Maternity Block.

Public Works Extraordinary:—
Kowloon Hospital Maternity Block,
\$49,000.

Provision made in Estimates,
\$100,000.

The cost of the hospital building was originally estimated at \$180,000 but owing to the drop in the sterling value of the dollar the estimate subsequently had to be increased to \$197,000.

The original estimate in 1929 for the maternity block and site formation was \$208,000.

In 1930 the site formation was completed for \$81,528.85. Therefore in 1931 the revised estimate was for the building alone—

\$180,000. During the current year it is anticipated expenditure will be \$149,000.

Treasurer's Salary.

Treasury:—Personal Emoluments, \$931.

Provision made in Estimates,
\$46,985.

The Secretary of State for the Colonies has approved the appointment of a Deputy Treasurer on the scale of \$1,500 to \$1,800 as from June 23, 1931. A vote for the difference between \$1,400 p.a. (as provided in the estimates) and \$1,500 p.a. for the period June 23 to December 31, 1931, at the approved rates of exchange is now required.

Gas Lighting.

Public Works Recurrent:—Gas Lighting, City and Suburbs and Hill District. To meet additional expenditure due to new rates in revised agreement, \$29,000.

Provision made in Estimates,
\$99,000.

The Public Lighting Contract between Government and the Hong Kong and China Gas Co. expired on June 30, 1930, and the terms on which it is to be renewed have been the subject of negotiation with the Company. The agreement was signed in March 1931, the new rates coming into force thereafter after the Estimates for 1931 had been prepared. A vote of \$29,000 is required to meet the additional charges for gas lighting in Hong Kong during the year.

Gas Lighting, Kowloon. To meet additional expenditure due to new rates in revised agreements, \$6,000.

Royal Observatory.

Royal Observatory:—Maintenance of Lithographic Plant, \$50.

Provision made in Estimates,
\$300.

Indents for stores from England were estimated at \$1=1s. 3d. but were paid for at \$1=11½d. Economies were effected but not sufficient to meet the difference and the vote is now \$16 overspent. The sum of \$50 asked for is to meet this deficit and to provide funds for the necessary small local purchases till the end of the year.

The above is to be met from savings under meteorological telegrams.

Police Telegrams.

Police Force:—Telegrams, \$400.

Provision made in Estimates,
\$800.

LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

Tone Slightly Better
To-day.

SETTLEMENT LIQUIDATED.

The official summary issued by the Stock Exchange to-day states:

The tone of the market this morning is slightly better, and it appears that the Settlement has now been more or less liquidated.

Douglases were again in demand at \$25.

Raubers were wanted at the slight advance to \$35¼.

Wharves were in demand at the improved rate of \$150.

Providents (old) were on offer at \$5.40.

Hotels (old) advanced to a buying rate of \$14.40. The new shares were wanted at the close at \$13.90, after sales being put through at \$13½.

Lands were in demand at \$81.

Ewos were wanted at \$16, as were also Zoong Sings, at \$13.

Trams, which were the medium of sales at \$20¼ and \$20.30, closed in demand at the former quotation.

H.K. Electrics were put through at \$76½, and there were sellers at the close at \$77¼.

Telephones (part paid) were offering at \$29¼.

Ropes were in demand at \$17½.

Constructions (new) changed hands at \$1.35.

Landscapes were in demand at \$1.35.

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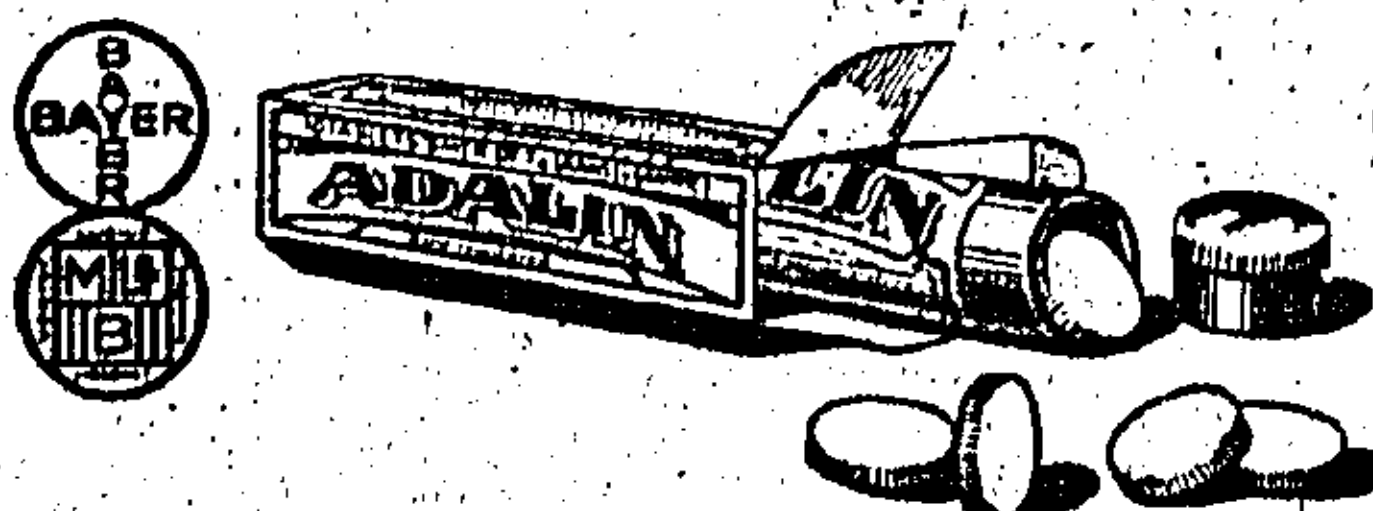
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